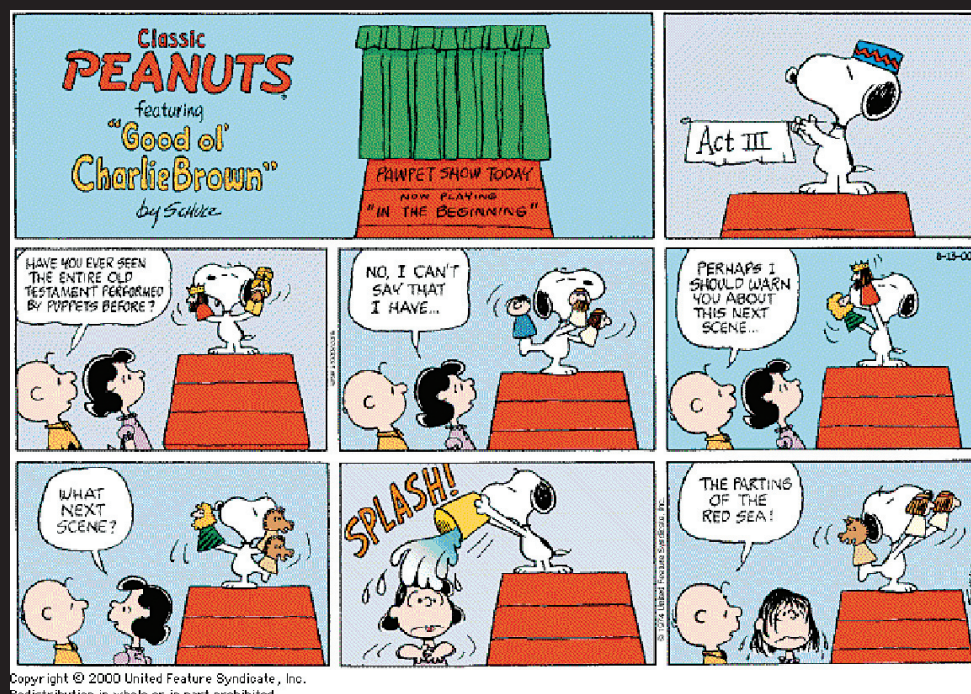


## Still-defiant Times Sq. bomber gets life sentence

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## Hungary sludge flood called 'ecological disaster'



A Hungarian soldier wearing a chemical protection gear walks through a street flooded by toxic in the town of Devecser, Hungary, Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010. Monday's flooding was caused by the rupture of a red sludge reservoir at an alumina plant in western Hungary and has affected seven towns near the Ajkai Timfoldgyar plant in the town of Ajka, 100 miles southwest of Budapest.

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KOLONTAR, Hungary  
(AP) — A lethal torrent of toxic red sludge from a metal refinery engulfed towns in Hungary, burning villagers through their clothes and threatening an ecological

Associated Press  
disaster Tuesday as it swept toward the Danube River. The flood of caustic red mud triggered a state of emergency declaration by Hungarian officials. At least four people were killed, six were missing and 120 injured, many with burns. Hundreds were evacuated in the aftermath of the disaster Monday, when a gigantic sludge reservoir burst its banks at an alumina plant in Ajka, a town 100 miles (160 kilometers) southwest of Budapest, the capital.

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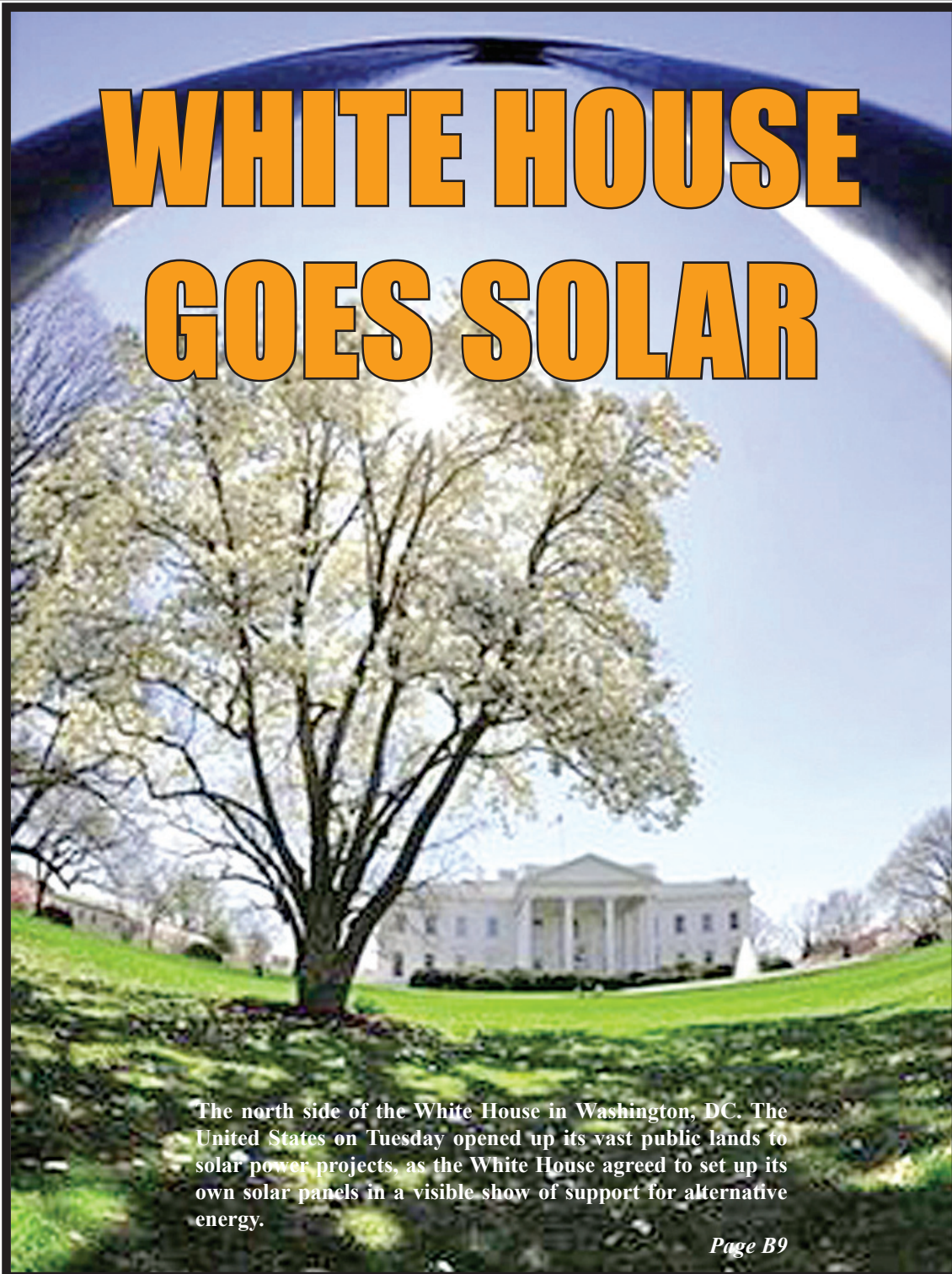


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# Times Sq. bomber sentenced, warns of more attacks



This courtroom sketch made Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010 shows Faisal Shahzad, center, surrounded by U.S. Marshals and accompanied by his attorney Philip Weinstein, left, during his sentencing in Manhattan Federal court in New York. The Pakistani immigrant who tried to set off a car bomb in Times Square in May 2010 was sentenced Tuesday to life in prison

By TOM HAYS

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NEW YORK – The Pakistani immigrant who tried to detonate a car bomb on a busy Saturday night in Times Square accepted a life sentence with a smirk Tuesday and warned that Americans can expect

(AP Photo/Elizabeth Williams)

more bloodshed at the hands of Muslims.

“Brace yourselves, because the war with Muslims has just begun,” 31-year-old Faisal Shahzad told a federal judge. “Consider me the first droplet of the blood that will follow.” His punishment for building the propane-and-gasoline

bomb and driving it into the heart of the city in an SUV last May was a foregone conclusion, since the charges to which he pleaded guilty carried a mandatory life sentence, which under federal rules will keep him behind bars until he dies.

But the former budget analyst from Connecticut used the courtroom appearance to rail against the U.S., saying the country will continue to pay for occupying Muslim countries.

“We are only Muslims ... but if you call us terrorists, we are proud terrorists and we will keep on terrorizing you,” he told U.S. District Judge Miriam Cedarbaum.

Shahzad — brought into the courtroom in handcuffs, and wearing a long beard and white skullcap — had instructed his attorney not to speak, and Cedarbaum told prosecutors she didn’t need to hear from them. That left the two free to spar over his

reasoning for giving up his comfortable life in America to train in Pakistan and carry out an attack authorities say could have killed an untold number of pedestrians.

“You appear to be someone who was capable of education and I do hope you will spend some of the time in prison thinking carefully about whether the Quran wants you to kill lots of people,” Cedarbaum said.

Shahzad responded that the “Quran gives us the right to defend. And that’s all I’m doing.” The judge cut him off at one point to ask if he had sworn allegiance to the U.S. when he became a citizen last year. “I did swear, but I did not mean it,” Shahzad said.

In his address to the court, he said Osama bin Laden “will be known as no less than Saladin of the 21st-century crusade” — a reference to the Muslim hero of the Crusades. He also said: “If I’m given 1,000 lives, I will sacrifice them all for the

life of Allah.”

Shahzad smirked when the judge imposed the sentence. Asked if he had any final words, he said, “I’m happy with the deal that God has given me.” Afterward, the head of the FBI’s New York office, Janice K. Fedarcy, cited evidence that Shahzad hoped to strike more than once.

“Shahzad built a mobile weapon of mass destruction and hoped and intended that it would kill large numbers of innocent people and planned to do it again two weeks later,” Fedarcy said in a statement. “The sentence imposed today means Shahzad will never pose that threat again.”

Calling himself a Muslim soldier, Shahzad pleaded guilty in June to 10 terrorism and weapons counts. He said the Pakistan Taliban provided him with more than \$15,000 and five days of explosives training late last year and early this year, months after he became a U.S. citizen. □



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## AP Poll: Americans support community colleges

The vast majority of Americans feel it is better for some students to go to community college instead of a four-year school, according to a new poll by The Associated Press and Stanford University released Tuesday.

Respondents rated community colleges as excellent or good at nearly the same rate as four-year schools, showing Americans are generally pleased with two-year colleges. Seventy-one percent said it's sometimes better for students to pursue a diploma or certificate from a two-year school than aim to enter a four-year college.

"That's an important breakthrough," said Stanford researcher Michael Kirst. "But the results ought to be somewhat troubling to people who want to reform community colleges. If the public does not think there's a major problem with an institution, it's often difficult to mobilize the political will to change it."

The results come as President Obama and education leaders from across the country gather in Washington, D.C., this week for a summit on community colleges, hoping to bring more attention to the often stigmatized schools. Obama wants the United States to have the highest proportion of college graduates in the world by 2020.

He's got his work cut out for him: Just 35 percent of community college students and 60 percent of students at four-year institutions graduate with diplomas each year, Kirst said.

Larry Wyse of Archbold, Ohio, who was interviewed for the poll, said he gets frustrated with the mindset that every student should

attend a four-year college. The former public school teacher who has run a heating repair and plumbing business for the last 27 years said trade workers like him are not viewed as equitable with bankers or computer engineers.

"Not every student who graduates from high school has the capability or the financial means or the intestinal fortitude that it takes to complete a four-year degree," said Wyse, who has a bachelor's degree in mathematics. "There are a lot of skilled trade and technical service type jobs that are begging for applicants."

In the poll, a much higher percent of blacks and Hispanics who are more likely than whites to enroll in a two-year college say four-year schools are the better option. The numbers reveal a disconnect between where minority students want to go to college and where they often end up, Kirst said.

Forty-three percent of minorities say it's always better to try to get into a four-year college, compared with just 17 percent of whites.

Overall, nearly 70 percent of respondents said the quality of education at community colleges is excellent or good. When asked whether colleges prepare students for the work force, 62 percent said yes for community colleges and 68 percent said yes for four-year schools.

The poll was conducted Sept. 23-30 by Abt SRBI Inc. It involved telephone interviews with 1,001 adults nationwide, and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3.9 percentage points.

The poll was funded in part by a grant to Stanford from The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. □

## Don't Worry: Happiness Levels Not Set in Stone

"Don't worry, be happy" may be more than just a wishful mantra. A new study finds that people's happiness levels can change substantially over their lifetimes, suggesting that happiness isn't predetermined by genes or personality. Psychologists have long argued that people have a "set point" for happiness. Regardless of what life brings, the set-point theory goes, happiness levels tend to be stable. A big life event could create a boost of

joy or a crush of sorrow, but within a few years, people return to a predetermined level of life satisfaction, according to the theory.

The new study, which used a nationally representative sample of almost 150,000 German adults, finds the opposite. People's long-term life satisfaction can change, the researchers report today (Oct. 4) in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. In fact, a substantial number of

people followed over 25 years saw their happiness levels shift by one-third or more.

The study also echoed previous happiness research in finding that money doesn't buy happiness. "People with a lot of money are more satisfied with their lives... but mainly due to the more interesting and challenging jobs they have," study author Gert Wagner, a researcher at the Max Planck Institute for Human Development in Germany, told LiveScience. □



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# Obama seeks to boost community colleges



President Barack Obama, accompanied by President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board (PERAB) Chairman Paul Volcker, left, and Dr. Jill Biden, wife of Vice President Joe Biden, addresses the PERAB, Monday, Oct. 4, 2010, in the State Dining Room of the White House in Washington.

(AP Photo/Susan Walsh)

By ERICA WERNER,  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama called Tuesday for community colleges to produce an additional 5 million graduates by 2020 as he convened a White House summit to spotlight the two-year institutions he said are more important than ever to the country's competitiveness. Calling them the "unsung heroes

of America's education system," Obama said community colleges "may not get the credit they deserve, they may not get the same resources as other schools, but they provide a gateway to millions of Americans to good jobs and a better life." Obama made his comments in the East Room at the start of a daylong meeting with officials from some of the nation's 1,200 community colleges along with

businesses and philanthropies. It was the first such gathering at the White House. Jill Biden, herself a community college teacher and wife of Vice President Joe Biden, presided. The purpose was to boost the schools that provide millions of students with skills training and a less expensive path to a college degree — even as they're increasingly challenged by climbing enrollments and high dropout rates. A month from crucial midterm elections, Obama also used the occasion to accuse congressional Republicans of wanting to slash education spending, as he continued to try to paint an alarming contrast with the GOP. "We are in a fight for the future, a fight that depends on education," the president said. Cutting spending would be "like unilaterally disarming our troops right as they head to the front lines."

Obama signed legislation this year pumping \$2 billion into community colleges — \$500 million a year for four years — although that was far less than advocates had hoped for. Community colleges saw a 17 percent enrollment surge

between 2007 and 2009 as the economic downturn sent laid-off workers searching for new skills, and tight budgets forced families to downsize educational goals for their children. At the same time, the colleges are themselves badly underfunded and forced to spend heavily on remedial education for poorly prepared students.

The White House summit came a day after the president announced a new public-private partnership linking major corporations like the Gap and McDonald's with community colleges to improve job training. Obama said the privately funded Skills for America's Future program would make it easier to connect job-seeking students with businesses looking to hire. The event also featured commitments from private institutions including the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, which announced the launch of a \$35 million, five-year competitive grant program to boost community college graduation rates.

Given the strains on community colleges, it will be a challenge to transform them into a greater engine of change than they

already are. Martha Kanter, undersecretary of education, said just 25 percent of community college students get a certificate or an associate's degree or transfer to a four-year institution within three years of enrollment. Obama's goal of adding 5 million more community college graduates over the next decade would represent a 50 percent increase in the number of students graduating, according to the American Association of Community Colleges. It's a crucial piece of Obama's goal for the U.S. to produce the highest proportion of college graduates in the world by 2020. Despite the challenges, respondents in a new poll by The Associated Press and Stanford University were generally positive about the quality of education offered by community colleges. Nearly 70 percent said the quality of education at community colleges is excellent or good. When asked whether colleges prepare students for the work force, 62 percent said yes for community colleges and 68 percent said yes for four-year schools. □

## Bank bailout supporters struggling for re-election

By TOM RAUM,

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WASHINGTON — The government's giant bank bailout may well have averted a second Great Depression, economists say, but a lot of voters aren't buying it. Support for the program is turning into a kiss of death for many in Congress.

Longtime Republican lawmakers — tarred by their votes for the emergency aid to banks, insurance and auto companies — have been sent packing in primaries. Fresh political attack ads are lambasting candidates from both parties for supporting the \$700 billion package that Republican President George W. Bush pushed through Congress at the height of the financial crisis in October 2008.

The actual cost to taxpayers will be far less than the original price tag, perhaps totaling \$50 billion or less. But it's been difficult for lawmakers to make the case that they saved the nation from possible financial ruin — as some economists suggest. It's far easier for opponents, especially in political soundbites, to portray the issue as Wall Street fat cats against ordinary Main Street folks in the final-weeks cacophony of the campaign.

President Barack Obama and congressional Democrats, now in charge, have taken heat for a program that many voters see as proof that the rich guys were bailed out while the public wasn't. Indeed, both parties are on the attack.

Some recent examples:

- In Missouri, Democratic Senate candidate

Robin Carnahan has been savaging Republican Rep. Roy Blunt for helping push the Toxic Asset Relief Program, or TARP, through Congress. One ad calls him "Mister Bailout." Another one, paid for by the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, asserts: "When our economy collapsed, Washington is where Roy Blunt took the lead and voted for the \$700 billion Wall Street bailout."

- In Connecticut, Senate candidate Dick Blumenthal hit Republican Linda McMahon during their debate Monday night for signaling support for TARP.


She has called it "a necessary thing to do at the time."

He says he opposes it.

- Ohio Democratic Rep. Mary Jo Kilroy is trumpeting her opposition to the legislation as a freshman member. "I voted against the bank bailout and took on Wall Street to protect your money," she says in one of her TV spots.

- The U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the nation's most powerful business lobby, is spending millions on ads trying to elect candidates who oppose the TARP bailout and last year's \$814 billion stimulus package — even though the chamber supported both programs at the time.

- Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Texas, admits he's vulnerable because of his TARP vote. "It may cost me votes. It may cost me an election," Edwards told the Dallas Morning News editorial board. "But it was the right thing to do." □



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# Conn. jury convicts man in deadly home invasion

By JOHN CHRISTOFFERSEN, Associated Press Writer  
NEW HAVEN, Conn. — A paroled burglar was convicted Tuesday of murdering a woman and her two daughters during a night of terror in which the mother was strangled and the girls were tied to their beds, one doused in gasoline, before the house was set on fire.

Steven Hayes, 47, could be sentenced to death. His attorneys have admitted his involvement and will argue for a life sentence.

Prosecutors said Hayes and another ex-con broke into the family's house in Cheshire in 2007, beat the girls' father with a baseball bat and forced their mother, Jennifer Hawke-Petit, to withdraw money from a bank before she was sexually assaulted and killed. Eleven-year-old Michaela and 17-year-old Hayley were tied to their beds, with pillowcases over their heads, before they were killed by the gas-fueled fire, authorities said.

The crime drew comparisons to "In Cold Blood," Truman Capote's chilling book about the 1959 murders of a Kansas family, and prompted more Cheshire residents to get guns. It also led to tougher laws for repeat offenders and home invasions, and Connecticut Gov. M. Jodi Rell cited the case when she vetoed a bill that would have abolished the death penalty.

The girls' father and the lone survivor, Dr. William Petit, appeared to stifle tears as the verdict was read. His head down, he sucked in his bottom lip.

"There is some relief but my family is still gone," Petit said afterward, his father and other relatives clutching him. "It doesn't bring them back. It doesn't bring back the house that we had."

Hayes showed no emotion as he stood for the verdict, which triggers the trial's second phase, beginning Oct. 18, in which the same jurors will decide if Hayes should be executed.

Petit said he hoped the jurors would use "the same diligence and clarity of thought" as they consider the sentence.

Hayes' defense conceded most

of the evidence on the trial's first day, but his attorneys blamed his co-defendant, Joshua Komisarjevsky, for escalating the violence at every critical point, starting with William Petit's beating. Prosecutors rejected that argument, saying the two men were equally responsible for the crime.

Komisarjevsky faces trial next year and also could be sentenced to death.

Hayes' jury heard eight days of gruesome testimony and deliberated for five hours over two days.

He was convicted of 16 counts, including six capital felony charges, three murder counts and two charges of sexually assaulting Hawke-Petit. The capital offenses were for killing two or more people, the killing of a person under 16, murder in the course of a sexual assault and three counts of intentionally causing a death during a kidnapping.

During the penalty phase, which is expected to last up to a month, Hayes' attorneys will try to persuade the jurors to spare him the death penalty. They argued during the trial that prosecutors failed to prove Hayes intended to kill the girls.

Attorneys not involved in the case said Hayes' lawyers will have difficulty showing mitigating factors that would favor prison over execution.

"If there was ever to be a hue and cry for the application of the death penalty, this case is it," said defense attorney Bruce Koffsky.

Another defense lawyer, Hugh Keefe, said: "I've never seen a case where the evidence is so egregious. Not even his mother loved him."

Prosecutors have said the crime was especially cruel and depraved.

Komisarjevsky spotted the mother and her two daughters at a supermarket, followed them to their home, then returned later with Hayes, authorities say.

During the trial, authorities showed text messages between the men hours before the crime in which Hayes told Komisarjevsky that he was "chomping at the bit to get started."

Authorities say the men were caught fleeing the scene. Hayes, still reeking of gasoline, gave an emotionless confession to police in which he said he was financially desperate when the men hatched a plan to break into a house, tie up the family, rob them and flee. But Hayes said "things got out of control," a detective testified.

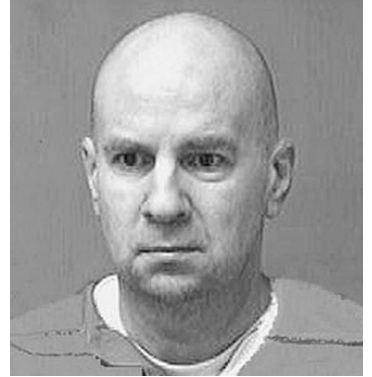
Hayes told authorities he sexually assaulted Hawke-Petit after Komisarjevsky, 30, told him he had to — to "square things up" — because Komisarjevsky had sexually assaulted Michaela, a detective testified. A prison officer, Jeremiah Krob, said he overheard Hayes tell another inmate that he killed Hawke-

Petit after Komisarjevsky told him he had to do it.

Hayes said Komisarjevsky sexually assaulted Michaela, took cell phone pictures of her that he tried to e-mail to friends and doused her in gasoline, Krob testified. Krob said Hayes admitted pouring gas on the stairs but told the other inmate he didn't believe he could be charged with arson because he didn't light it.

Jurors apparently agreed: They acquitted Hayes of an arson count.

William Petit told the jury he woke up on his couch the morning of July 23, 2007, in pain and feeling the sensation that blood was running down his face. He saw two people standing nearby. □



FILE - This undated file photo provided in February 2010 by the Connecticut Department of Correction shows Steven Hayes, accused of severely beating Dr. William Petit, Jr., and killing his wife and two daughters during a home invasion in Cheshire, Conn., July 23, 2007. Defense and prosecution lawyers were scheduled to make closing arguments in Hayes' murder trial Friday, Oct. 1, 2010 in New Haven, Conn., Superior Court.

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# Taliban steps up attacks in Kandahar with blasts

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**Associated Press Writer**

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) — Two explosions rocked Kandahar on Tuesday, the second day of deadly blasts in the southern Afghan city where Taliban insurgents are fighting back against U.S. and Afghan forces pushing into areas long held by the insurgents.

A car bomb and a second, smaller blast killed nine people, including one Afghan policeman, Kandahar provincial health director Qayum Pokhla said. Another 26 people were wounded, including police officers.

On Monday night, three explosions, just minutes apart, killed three Afghan police officers in the city. When police gathered to tend to the wounded after the first blast, two more explosions occurred, said Zelmai Ayubi, spokesman for the provincial governor of Kandahar.

Also Monday, Noor Ahman, deputy mayor in Kandahar, was killed in an insurgent attack and later in the day, Habibullah Aghonzada, a former district chief in Arghistan, was gunned down by assailants as he prayed at a packed mosque.

The NATO military coalition described the two as “dedicated public servants who sought to improve the lives of their fellow countrymen.”

Separately, NATO reported that a service member died in a homemade bomb explosion in the south. The coalition did not disclose the service member’s nationality or provide additional details of the death.

Control of Kandahar, the Taliban movement’s birthplace, is seen as key to reversing Taliban momentum in the war. Afghan and NATO forces are engaged in a major



operation to improve security in and around Kandahar to keep insurgents from staging attacks inside the city. Early Tuesday in Arghandab district outside Kandahar, NATO said it captured a Taliban leader suspected of coordinating

attacks and arming Taliban fighters. Trying to keep their grip on their stronghold, the Taliban are fighting with both weapons and rhetoric.

“America is operating in the districts of Kandahar, but

the result will be that they will walk out with blood-filled, empty hands,” Taliban spokesman Qari Yousef said. “They could not achieve victory in nearly a decade,” he said, noting that the war enters its tenth year on Thursday.

“This shows they never will.” The NATO coalition is fighting an uphill battle to win the allegiance of people in Kandahar.

“When only the Taliban were ruling our land there was peace and tranquility. Since the Americans have set foot on our land, we don’t have work and our health is no better,” said Naseebullah Ghamjam, a 38-year-old laborer. “All we have seen is that Americans have constructed exceptionally massive compounds for themselves.”

Azizullah Saiyal, 29, who drives heavy vehicles in Zhari district outside of Kandahar, said citizens have little trust in the international community or Afghan government officials. “We hear that millions and billions of dollars are coming in our country, but where does all of the money go?” he asked. “I believe these years of war and loss of innocent lives makes it obvious that war can never bring in peace. We should start looking for alternatives now.” □

## Rebel commander arrested for alleged Congo rapes

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UNITED NATIONS (AP) — U.N. and Congolese forces arrested a rebel commander on Tuesday for alleged mass rapes in eastern Congo.

U.N. headquarters in New York circulated the announcement by the U.N. peacekeeping force in Congo of the arrest of the Mai-Mai commander, known as as Lt. Col. Mayele.

The U.N. announcement said Mayele is suspected of being one of the commanders in the mineral-rich Walikale area from July 30 to Aug. 2 when about 250 people in five villages, mainly women, were repeatedly gang raped, according to Dr. Chris Baguma of the Los Angeles-based International Medical Corps.

It took days for help to arrive, even though the villages are 12 miles (20 kilometers) from a camp of U.N. peacekeepers from

India. The U.N. said a peacekeeping patrol drove through one of the villages while it was being held by the fighters, but said peacekeepers took no action because no one told them what was going on.

Rape has been increasingly used by various groups of fighters in eastern Congo to intimidate, punish and control the population, especially in the mining areas.

Baguma told AP in Walikale last month that he had seen many, many rape victims “but I have never seen anything so planned, so systematic, so animalistic.” According to the U.N. announcement, the mass rapes and human rights violations are said to have been committed by about 200 Congolese Mai-Mai rebels, rebels from the Rwanda-led Democratic Front for the Liberation of Rwanda or FDLR, and elements loyal to former Congolese army Col. Emmanuel Nsengiyumva who

was also a rebel in the former Tutsi-led People’s National Congress or CNDP.

The U.N. force said a preliminary report from U.N. human rights officials identified 303 civilian victims — 235 women, 13 men, 52 girls and 3 boys. Margot Wallstrom, who is responsible for U.N. efforts to combat sexual violence in conflict, welcomed Mayele’s apprehension, calling it “a victory for justice, especially for the many women who have suffered rapes and other forms of sexual violence.”

“The numerous criminal acts committed under ‘Lt. Col.’ Mayele’s command cannot be undone, but let his apprehension be a signal to all perpetrators of sexual violence that impunity for these types of crimes is not accepted and that justice will prevail,” she said in a statement from the Congolese capital, Kinshasa. □



# III, Paraguay president faces calls to step aside

**BELEN BOGADO**

**Associated Press Writer**

ASUNCION, Paraguay (AP) — A new health crisis for Paraguayan President Fernando Lugo has many urging him to put his well-being before his presidency — a seemingly helpful suggestion the president's aides say is actually an effort to push him out of power.

Lugo, who is fighting cancer, was rushed to a top Brazilian hospital Saturday after doctors detected a blood clot near his heart. Physicians at Sao Paulo's Hospital Sirio Libanes said that the clot disappeared after emergency treatment and he was moved from intensive to regular care on Monday. Smiling and optimistic, Lugo said Tuesday that the new studies had found no sign of the apparently low-grade non-Hodgkin's lymphoma tumors he has been treated for.

"I'm forgetting about the cancer at least," he told reporters at the hospital. "I

believe we are going to return healthy to Paraguay."

It's at least the third health scare this year for Lugo, 59, a center-left leader who has maintained friendly relations both with Venezuela's Hugo Chavez and with the United States. He had prostate surgery in January and was diagnosed with cancer in August.

Lugo planned to return home to his duties Wednesday, with no restrictions on his agenda, according to the presidential website.

But many voices — mostly his opponents — note he still faces chemotherapy treatments and the risk of complications. They say he should take a leave of office to focus on getting better first.

Loyalists are suspicious of the sudden concern for Lugo's health from politicians who have several times tried to impeach the president, who has few strong allies in Congress. A leave of absence would turn power over to Vice President

Federico Franco, whose party has sometimes clashed with Lugo.

"There are sectors who want to knock Lugo down, but the president will not leave office," Lugo's chief of staff, Miguel Lopez Perito, told Radio 780 on Tuesday.

Opposition politicians, and even some relatives, suggest that Lugo's aides have tried to minimize the president's illness.

The president's niece, Mirtha Maidana, who visited him when Lugo was hospitalized in Asuncion on Saturday, accused his staff of trying to hide the president's real health condition.

"His entourage was more worried about their positions than the president's health; it was unfortunate," she told Radio 970.

Foreign Minister Hector Lacognata told reporters that the president was in a "process of recovery" just hours before he was flown urgently to

Brazil.

Although the president's own doctors said the thrombosis was life-threatening, Lopez Perito described it during a Monday news conference as "a relatively simple problem that was treated with medication." Since starting chemotherapy in August, Lugo has done little to reduce his official workload and has continued to attend crowded public events, though his doctors had urged him to avoid crowds so as not to contract an infection.

Retired Gen. Lino Cesar Oviedo, an opposition party leader, has urged Lugo to focus on his cancer treatments and leave Franco in charge, because "health issues have no time or date" and "the nation cannot be left in improvised hands." Lugo's doctors say they have cleared him for a full schedule, apart from the crowds. But Dr. Carmelo Gonzalez Doldan, who cared for three previous Paraguayan presidents, said that political



Paraguay's Vice President and acting President Federico Franco poses for pictures at his office in Asuncion, Paraguay, Monday, Oct. 4, 2010.

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pressures come into play when a head of state gets ill.

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An aerial view of the broken dike, center right, of a reservoir containing red mud of an alumina factory near Ajka, 156 kms southwest of Budapest, Hungary, Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010. The dike broke on Monday, and over one million cubic meters of the poisonous chemical sludge inundated three villages. The flood of toxic mud killed a yet unknown number of people, injured more than one hundred, with some people still missing.

### HUNGARY FLOOD

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The torrent of sludge inundated homes, swept cars off roads and damaged bridges.

Named for its bright red color, the material is a waste product in aluminum production that contains heavy metals and is toxic if ingested.

In Kolontar, the town closest to the plant, Erzsebet

Veingartner was in her kitchen when the 12-foot-high wave of red slurry hit, sweeping away everything in its path.

"I looked outside and all I saw was the stream swelling like a huge wave," the 61-year-old widow said Tuesday as she surveyed her backyard, still under 6 feet of noxious muck. "I lost all my chickens, my ducks, my Rottweiler, and my

potatopatch. My late husband's tools and machinery were in the shed and it's all gone," sobbed the woman, who gets by on a \$350 monthly pension. "I have a winter's worth of firewood in the basement and it's all useless now."

Emergency workers wearing masks and chemical protection gear rushed to pour 1,000 tons of plaster into the Marcal River in an attempt to bind the sludge and keep it from flowing on to the Danube some 45 miles away. Nearby, desperate villagers waded through the toxic mud trying to salvage possessions with little more than rubber gloves as protection.

The 1,775-mile-long Danube passes through some of the continent's most pristine vistas from its origins as a Black Forest spring in Germany to its end point as a majestic stretch of water emptying into the Black Sea.

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communist nations. One of the continent's greatest treasures of wildlife, it has been the focus of a multibillion dollar post-communist cleanup. Cormorants, swans and other birds are now common sights on the river.

Still, high-risk industries such as Hungary's Ajkai Timfoldgyar alumina plant are still producing waste near some of its tributaries, posing a threat to the waterway.

By Tuesday, about 35.3 million cubic feet of sludge had poured from the reservoir, flooding a 16 square mile area, Environmental Affairs State Secretary Zoltan Illes told the state news wire MTI. He called the spill an "ecological catastrophe."

Dozens of villagers were burned when the caustic material seeped through their clothing. Two women, a young man and a 3-year-old child were killed, and health officials said two of the injured were in critical condition.

Because chemical burns can take days to emerge, seemingly

superficial injuries can turn deadly as they penetrate deeper tissue, Dr. Peter Jakabos of Gyor Hospital told state TV.

In nearby Devecser, the sea of muck in Tunde Erdelyi's house was 5 feet high Tuesday and rescue workers had to use an ax to cut through her living room door to let it flow out. Her car had been swept into the garden and her husband's van straddled a fence.

"When I heard the rumble of the flood, all the time I had was to jump out the window and run to higher ground," she said tearfully, adding that she was grateful the family's pet rabbit and cat were safe.

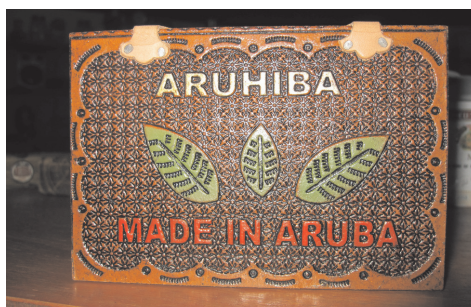
Her husband, Robert Kis, said his uncle was flown by helicopter to Budapest after the sludge "burned him to the bone." Firefighters and soldiers wearing masks, rubber boots and other protective gear waded through the stricken area Tuesday, flushing away the sludge with hoses, aided by dozens of bulldozers, their loaders scraping the polluted ground. □

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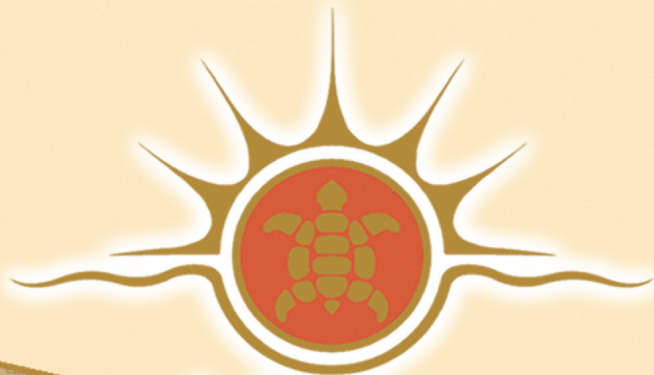
ORANJESTAD- Benjamin Petrocchi started the newest export product of Aruba, locally produced cigars called "Aruhiba". These cigars are produced and cultivated in Aruba. Petrocchi has always had an interest in the cigar business and has also sold Premium Cuban Cigars, and now he is growing his own tobacco crop. After many attempts and trips to Santo Domingo and Cuba he started his own production and cultivation of Aruhiba Cigars in Aruba. The process took ten years. Petrocchi dedication to the cigars is important for the molding and process of making a perfect cigar which takes a long time. The cigar box is specially designed for the cigars with the logo "Aruhiba". Petrocchi considers Aruhiba a promotion for Aruba through fine quality cigars. The company sells International cigars as well. Buy a gift box of Aruhiba Corona with five

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# Israeli rabbis visit torched West Bank mosque

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BEIT FAJJAR, West Bank (AP) — Six rabbis from West Bank settlements took a step Tuesday to defuse tension over an arson attack at a West Bank mosque, apparently by extremist settlers — they presented 20 new Quran books to replace those damaged in the blaze. During the rabbis' visit to the mosque in the village of Beit Fajjar, Palestinian residents held charred pages of the burned Quran books. The mosque was not seriously damaged. Israelis and Palestinians denounced the fire. The attackers left Hebrew slogans on the mosque walls, including the word "revenge." It appeared to be the latest action in a campaign that extremist Jewish settlers call the "price tag," their response to moves by their government to remove unauthorized settlement outposts and other similar measures. Israeli politicians rushed to condemn Monday's attack. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu ordered his security forces

"to act with determination" to bring the arsonists to justice. Defense Minister Ehud Barak described it as a "shameful act."

It came as Israeli, Palestinian and U.S. negotiators tried to salvage peace talks by working out a deal over Israeli settlement construction in the West Bank. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas has said he will not continue the talks restarted last month by President Barack Obama if Israel does not renew a construction slowdown. Israel refused, but Netanyahu appealed to Abbas to stick with the negotiations.

Rabbi Menachem Froman from the nearby settlement of Tekoah, the leader of Tuesday's reconciliatory visit to Beit Fajjar, said those who committed the attack "oppose peace." Froman said it was his third visit to a West Bank mosque damaged in arson attacks blamed on Israeli settlers. Froman said the rabbis were received warmly. "They thanked us for coming to identify with them over the sorrow that took place,"



Israeli settler leader and peace activist Rabbi Menachem Froman, center, marches with Palestinians in protest the burning of a West Bank mosque apparently by extremist settlers, near the West Bank village of Beit Fajjar, near Bethlehem, Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010. Froman and a small group of Israelis have taken a step to defuse the tension over the burning of a West Bank mosque, apparently by extremist settlers, during a visit Tuesday to the torched mosque they presented local religious leaders with new Quran books to replace those damaged in the blaze.

he said later in a telephone interview. Taking the new Quran books, a local religious leader said he was accepting them in the name of Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails. Israel is holding about 9,000 Palestinians. After the visit, a small clash erupted, with Palestinian youths throwing rocks

at Israeli soldiers, who responded with tear gas grenades. There were no reports of casualties. In another clash, Israeli activists, settlers and police scuffled in the east Jerusalem neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah, and two Israelis were arrested, activists said. Israeli police had no comment.

Israeli settlers have taken over property in Sheikh Jarrah after Israeli courts ruled that they had valid ownership rights. Dovish Israelis have been demonstrating there in support of Palestinians who were evicted. Palestinians claim east Jerusalem as the capital of a future state. □

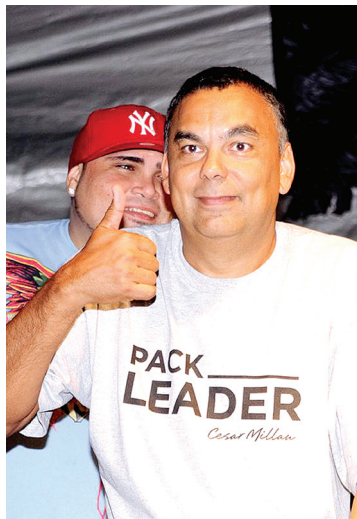
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*Tito Lacle and Mark Benson shave their heads for cancer*

# Cas di Glas closes with a big bang



Aruba Today's Contributing Editor Tito Lacle made a bold statement to go bald if funds reached or exceeded 10,000 ffs donated in his name to Cas do Glas. He did it, he raised the funds and shaved his head in public live on TV.

ORANJESTAD - The Cas di Glas event, held at the



## IN MEMORIAM : DAVID C. WEBB



Today Red Cross Aruba honors David Webb, a volunteer of Search and Rescue (SARFA) who passed away this morning during voluntary work.

We are proud to have worked with this very courageous person who has repeatedly participated in rescue operations to the

benefit of mankind. Our sincere condolences go out to his family and to our co-volunteers of SARFA. We celebrate his courage and we mourn his passing.

Picture: David Webb sitting behind Captain Danilo Webb, who tried to save his life today

Renaissance Marketplace during the past four days and five nights, is over. Last Sunday evening, minister of Public Health Richard Visser, released the three deejays who had been locked inside the House of Glass.

That was an emotional and very beautiful moment. Siomara could not hold back the tears, DJ 101 did not keep it dry either, while Jean Carlo had shed some tears earlier already.

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CFF brings you:

# Cinema at the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival



ORANJESTAD - The CARIBBEAN FILM FOUNDATION (CFF) joins once again with a local partner to screen film productions from Aruba and the region. After a successful cooperation in June with the Aruba International Film Festival and the Department of Culture resulting in The Spotlight Series, CFF is collaborating on Friday 8th and Saturday 9th October with the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival.

Those who missed the Spotlight Series or weren't able to see the 15 productions that were shown that day, now get a second chance. As the film selection for the jazz festival contains (short) films and documentaries of the Spotlight Series. Like Voices in the Clouds by the talented Aruban filmmaker Aaron Hosé. Hosé is now looking for funds to get the documentary shown worldwide, so it would be great if the Aruban public would come Friday 8th October to the jazz festival to support his initiative. Another short film is from the young talented film student Jo Henriquez, titled Sunday and

based upon the popular book Dubbelspel.

Of course CFF will also be screening it's first production Heb het Lief. This Aruban Dutch coproduction tells the story about the friendship between two young men and was shot entirely on Aruba, March this year.

As CFF is screening at a jazz festival, it also selected a documentary about music: Calypso Dreams. It's a portrait of true Calypsonians at Trinidad & Tobago and was chosen as the best Caribbean documentary at the Jamerican Film Festival.

CFF will be screening on two locations at the Caribbean Jazz festival. On both festival days the Lounge Patio is turned into a Film Lounge where the public can see various films and documentaries from 7:30 pm till 1:00 am. In between the screenings there's also music by DJ Intifada. Also joining with CFF at the Patio is video artist Ryan Oduber who has an interactive session planned on Friday.

CFF volunteers will be at the Film Lounge to explain more about the foundation and it's



goals. So, film makers, film fans and potential supporters are very much welcome at the Lounge Patio. There will be some free popcorn too! On Friday 8th October

CFF is also screening at the Auditorium in Cas di Cultura. At 7 pm we'll show two short films: Sunday and Heb het Lief. After an intermezzo, Calypso Dreams will be

shown at 22:00 pm, followed by Voices in the Clouds that starts at 23:30 pm on the big screen of the Auditorium. For more information about CFF: [www.cff.aw](http://www.cff.aw)



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# Cas di Glas closes with a big bang

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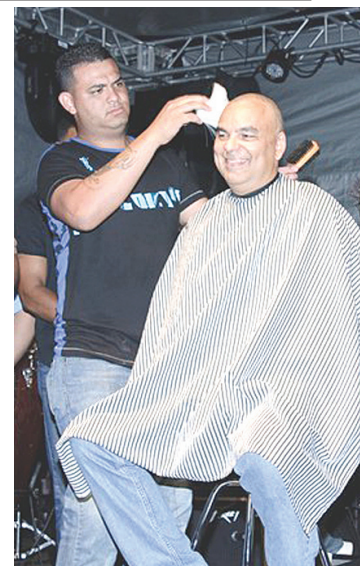
Logical, as they had heard many a sad story about cancer during their broadcasts and also because of their exhaustion. They had done the utmost for the island-wide fundraising, which aims

to buy a mobile breast cancer screening unit with the money the event generated.

Which moments stood out? Actually the entire Sunday was special. Deejay Lionel took over in the early morning

and he swept single handedly Aruba into a frenzy of giving. Cars drove past the Cas di Glas to give donations, a little girl handed over her piggy bank, a handicapped boy had collected

AWG. 1000,--, a group of mountain bikers cycled around the island and came to donate money. Restaurant workers donated their tip money and several local celebrities shaved their heads after a certain amount had been reached: Mark Benson



and Tito Laclé, bravo! A large group of volunteers collected money during the event; another group of wonderful people counted the money for hours on end, day after day.

Of course there was music: so much that several bands got no for an answer when they came to offer free performances. There were local and international artists, one huge line-up, who all played free of charge. Well known artists like Mulato, Juan Carlos Luces, DJ Quality, Tsunami and super band Intwine, the Belgian tenors of Rockenbach: they were there for charity, singing and playing their hearts out.

A happy feeling remains after the hectic days of Cas di Glas. Really glad because of the fantastic amount of money that was collected, but also because a small group of dedicated people put down an event which got the entire Aruban population involved. Mountains can be moved – this was proof of the pudding!

Main sponsors of the Cas di Glas were Elite, Mexim, KLM Martinair, Renaissance, Cilo, Cool FM, Small Energy and Protec, but there were countless other sponsors, among them Martijn Trading Company, which donated AWG. 6.500,-- because the firm exists 65 years in 2010 – congratulations! When one would list everyone who donated money, who helped, in whichever way, make the Cas di Glas a success, you would forget half of them. So hereby: many, many heartfelt thanks to everybody. ☐



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Artist: Cosy Cotton feat. Grana Louise

Time: 11.00 PM

#### THURSDAY OCTOBER 7TH

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Artist: Cosy Cotton feat. Grana Louise

Time: 7.00 PM

Location: CILO City Lounge

Artist: Red Fulka

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STA. LUCIA - On Monday, October 4th, Animal Day, the very successful contest to name the baby donkey born on August 30th ended and a winner was chosen. A tourist from Great Britain had the privilege of drawing the name out of the container. The winning name for the baby boy is Thunder. This name is very appropriate as we have had a lot of Thunder lately.

Heather Carmen from the United States is the lucky winner of the painting contest. There were a lot of beautiful names submitted. You can see Thunder at the

We want to thank everyone for their support of the contest. There were a lot of beautiful names submitted. You can see Thunder at the

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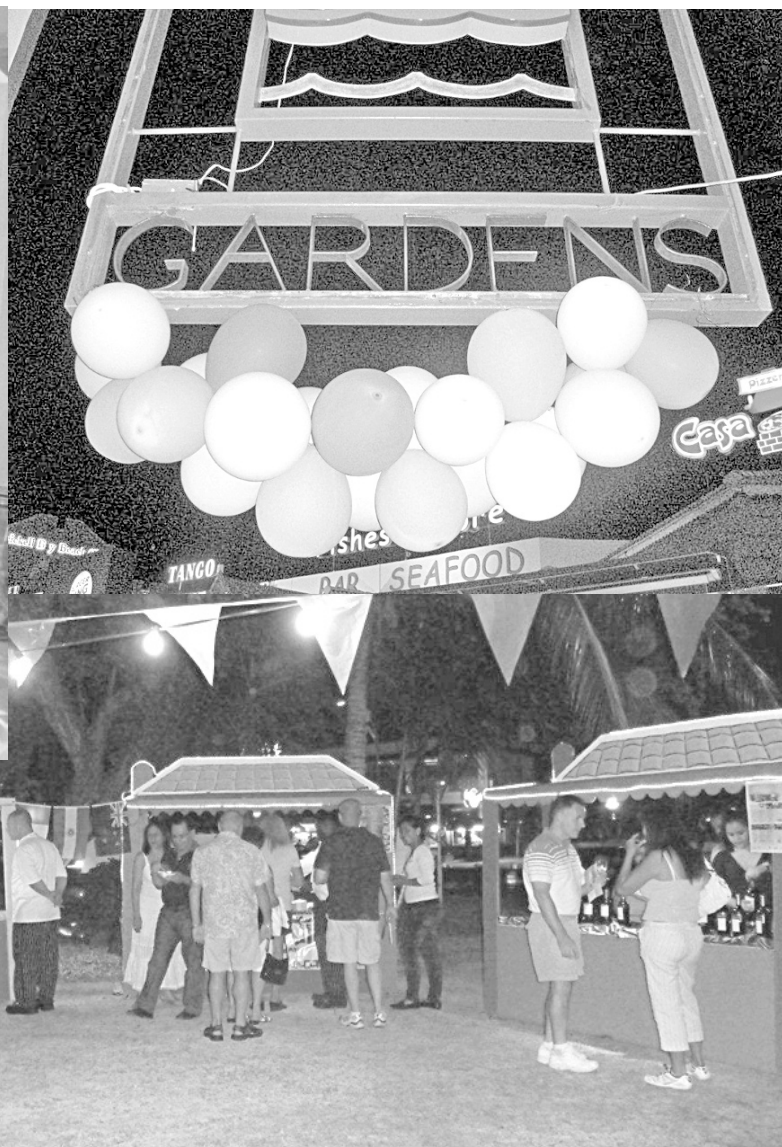
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# Lots of interest for delicious fun at Arawak Garden



PALMBEACH - The Arawak Garden Food & Wine Festival went underway with clear skies and lots of ambiance last Saturday, October 2nd. Wine tastings, food tastings with freshly made sushi from Chino Latino, live music and portrait sketches by artist Eduardo Varela were the highlights of the evening, as

were the special offers of the Arawak restaurants. Called 'flights' these included a Flight to Spain at Salt & Pepper where travellers could buy three tapas and pay only for two, a Flight to the USA with King Size Value Meals at Burger King, a Flight to Argentina with a BBQ at Argentinian





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*A new look for one of the island's favorite timeshare resorts*

# Playa Linda's renovations reveal an attractive upgrade of a second home



PALM BEACH – Playa Linda Beach Resort, one of the island's favorite timeshare resorts, is undergoing attractive new changes with the completion of Phase One of its current renovation project. Owners and guests now enjoy completely redone bathrooms and look forward to the further transformation of individual suites and to the look and feel of a resort that has long been regarded as a second home in Aruba. "We have received positive reviews on the renovation, in what has been accomplished and what is still to come, as well as a great deal of understanding from our members and guests during this process," comments General Manager Jan van Nes. "It is not easy renovating a resort with an average occupancy of 85 percent and just one maintenance week, but we received great cooperation from all parties involved. We've already retiled the units and balconies, installed

new kitchen appliances and safes, redone the bathrooms as well as repainted the exterior and changed the decorative roof panels. With all these changes, members appreciate the investment that is being made in the value and comfort of their 'home away from home'." Renovation plans were first put into motion in 2008, when the Playa Linda celebrated its 25th Anniversary and the Board presented its proposal for a resort-wide upgrade. Soon after, the chosen design company of IGD Group, out of Tampa, Florida, went into action in providing for the new look of the resort. The mother and son team of Sandra Dickey of Images Gallery & Design, and Matt Ramaekers of IGD Hospitality, were recently back on island in order to feedback with the Playa Linda Board as to the new furnishings, fixtures and materials that will be in place in each room by 2011. "It's been a three-year process

that is now approaching a very successful outcome thanks to ongoing collaboration with an involved timeshare membership, led by a hands-on board. The result is an evolution of a design that perfectly marries the island's natural beauty together with touches of luxury," explains Sandy.

Along with aesthetic concerns, both quality as well as the environment has been top concerns. Decisions on manufactures were made according to not only which companies produce top-notch materials, but also those that work according to environmental standards, and with green products used in the design where possible.

"In all aspects, we wanted to properly portray what Playa Linda represents for its members, its adherence to quality and high ideals as well as its unmistakable warm, welcoming environment," comments Matt.

"We've had the good fortune to experience it ourselves in working with a Board which maintained constant, open communication, along with a level of hospitality by the management and staff that has been outstanding. It has been a pure pleasure in working with the Playa Linda. So much so, that we plan to choose Aruba for a future family vacation." When complete, the renovation at the Playa Linda will total \$7.5M, and include a state-of-the-art alarm and safety system. The current renovation follows \$7M that was previously invested in several upgrades in the past few years.

"With all that is going on I believe we will be in good shape at the end of the year, but in excellent shape at the end of 2011," comments Jan van Nes. "It could not have been done without the IGD group as well as several local contractors, but also thanks to our staff, who have gone above



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# Swing Design live at Café the Plaza

ORANJESTAD - The Dutch band Swing Design has stolen the hearts of Big Band fans at the Sun Valley Jazz Jamboree in Idaho; now they are ready to steal hearts on Aruba. On Wednesday, October 6, the thirty-two musicians are playing at Café the Plaza in celebration of its 19th anniversary and as a heating up session for the upcoming Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival. Swing Design will be just one of the highlights of this two-day festival, which has a superb line-up of internationally acclaimed artists. The band is playing on the Cas di Cultura stage on Friday, October 8. For those who are not familiar with the band: Swing Design was formed in Maastricht, Holland, in 1983. Its wide repertoire soon gained many fans; its interaction with the audience has become legendary. Although Big Band music saw its peak in the 1920's with superb bands like those of Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey and Harry James, its popularity has declined, but it has never gone out of fashion. Germany can still boast of James Last; the Netherlands of Willy Schobben, Sky Masters, Syd Lawrence and, of course, Swing Design with conductor Bart Rademakers. Swing Design will start its performance at Café the Plaza at 8 pm; entrance is free of charge. □



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Cyclist Alberto Contador of Spain looks back after an interview with the Associated Press in Pinto on the outskirts of Madrid, Saturday Oct. 2, 2010.

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### AP Source: Sample suggests possible doping

SAMUEL PETREQUIN

AP Sports Writer

A urine sample taken from three-time Tour de France winner Alberto Contador showed abnormally high levels of plastic residues that could indicate he received a transfusion of his own blood during this year's race, a person with knowledge of the test results told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

Contador, who has previously denied receiving a transfusion, was provisionally suspended by the international cycling federation last week after a small amount of the banned drug clenbuterol was discovered in one of his samples by a laboratory in Cologne, Germany. The Spanish rider blamed contaminated beef for the result.

In a separate sample taken a day earlier, the Cologne lab also found plastic traces that might turn up after a transfusion of blood from a plastic bag, according to the person, who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity because Contador's investigation by the UCI is ongoing.

Contador's abnormal sample showed eight times the normal amount of the plasticizer, the person said.

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### DOLPHIN FREE!

New England Patriots safety Pat Chung, right, celebrates with an unidentified teammate after intercepting a pass thrown by Miami Dolphins quarterback Chad Henne to score a touchdown in the fourth during an NFL football game in Miami, Monday, Oct. 4, 2010. The Patriots won 41-14.

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### THE FULL MONTY

Europe team captain Colin Montgomerie lifts the trophy after winning the 2010 Ryder Cup golf tournament at the Celtic Manor Resort in Newport, Wales, Monday, Oct. 4, 2010.

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# Tokyo defending champ Tsonga loses 1st match back



France's Jo-Wilfried Tsonga reacts to a missed point as he plays Finland's Jarkko Nieminen during their men's singles match at Rakuten Japan Open Tennis Championships in Tokyo, Japan Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010.

*Associated Press*

**JIM ARMSTRONG**

**AP Sports Writer**

TOKYO (AP) — Jo-Wilfried Tsonga's defense of his Japan Open title lasted two hours as he lost to Jarkko Nieminen of Finland 6-4, 5-7, 6-1 on Tuesday in his first match since June 30. Tsonga tore his left knee patella in a Wimbledon quarterfinals loss to Andy Murray and missed the U.S. Open and France's wins in the Davis Cup quarterfinals and semifinals.

The 12th-ranked Tsonga looked impressive at times in the first-round match, firing 14 aces, but Nieminen, coming off the Thailand Open final last weekend, served consistently better.

"I did all I could but it was not enough today," Tsonga said. "It was tough, my first match in three months, and Jarkko played well. But I have no pain in my knee, so that is positive." Top-ranked Rafael Nadal downed Colombian Santiago Giraldo 6-4, 6-4 to reach the second round.

Nadal, coming off a surprise loss in the semifinals of the Thailand Open on Saturday, had to work hard for the victory in his Japan debut.

"I started a few games love-30," said Nadal. "He played well. He was very aggressive. My serve was the worst it has been in the last 10 or 11 games and I was a little more tired than usual and not focused on every point."

Nadal saved all four break points he faced for victory in 1 hour and 50 minutes.

In the Thailand Open, Nadal lost to fellow Spaniard and eventual champion Guillermo

Garcia-Lopez. Garcia-Lopez took more than two hours on Tuesday to beat Rajeev Ram of the United States 6-7 (3), 6-4, 7-6 (1). They each served 17 aces.

Nadal next faces Canadian qualifier Milos Raonic, who smashed 22 aces to beat France's Florent Serra 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

"I lost against him in doubles in Toronto," Nadal said. "He can play very well from the baseline and has a good serve so I have to be aggressive against him."

Second-seeded Andy Roddick downed Japanese wild card Tatsuma Ito 6-4, 6-3 to open his first tournament since the U.S. Open.

Roddick dominated Ito with a powerful serve and topped the match in Ariake Colosseum with his eighth ace.

"It felt like a match coming off a long layoff," Roddick said. "There were some good things, some inconsistent things. Since New York, I've been trying to get in physical shape and I've been able to do that."

Roddick will next face France's Jeremy Chardy, a 6-3, 7-6 (2) winner over compatriot Edouard Roger-Vasselin.

Elsewhere, fourth-seeded Jurgen Melzer of Austria defeated Juan Monaco of Argentina, 6-4, 4-6, 6-1, No. 5 Gael Monfils beat Japanese wild card Go Soeda 7-6 (10), 6-4, but No. 8 Michael Llodra of France lost to Marco Chiudinelli of Switzerland 6-3, 6-0.

Other winners included France's Richard Gasquet, Serbia's Viktor Troicki, and Italy's Andreas Seppi. □

## Djokovic, Murray advance at China Open in Beijing



Novak Djokovic of Serbia returns a ball against Gong Mao-Xin of China during their China Open tennis tournament at the National Tennis Center in Beijing, China Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010. Djokovic defeated Gong 6-1, 6-3.

*Associated Press*

BEIJING (AP) — Top-seeded Novak Djokovic of Serbia opened his China Open defense with a 6-1, 6-3 win over Gong Maoxin of China to ease into the second round

Tuesday.

No. 2-ranked Djokovic, this year's U.S. Open runner up won 87 percent of his first serve points and took just 1 hour, 11 minutes to beat Gong.

"It feels good to be back at a court where I've had a lot success in the last couple years," Djokovic said.

Britain's Andy Murray, the No. 2 seed, also had an easy win, beating Paul-Henri Mathieu of France 6-2, 6-3, while third-seeded Robin Soderling of Sweden dropped the first set before downing Tommy Robredo of Spain 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

Nikolay Davydenko of Russia, the fourth seed, cruised into the second round with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Florian Mayer of Germany.

Murray served up 10 aces to beat Mathieu, who was once ranked 12th in the world, but

has since been plagued by injuries and had to go through qualifying to make the main draw in Beijing.

In other first round matches Tuesday, Alexandr Dolgoplov of Ukraine beat Marcos Baghdatis of Cyprus 6-4, 6-4 and Spain's Nicolas Almagro defeated Lukasz Kubot of Poland 7-5, 6-2.

In the second round of women's singles, former No. 1-ranked Maria Sharapova made 18 unforced errors in losing to Russian compatriot Elena Vesnina 7-6 (3), 6-2. That followed her dismal performance last week in Tokyo where she crashed out in the opening round.

Shahar Peer of Israel beat Switzerland's Patty Schnyder 6-4, 6-2, while Petra Kvitova of the Czech Republic defeated Kaia Kanepi of Estonia 7-5, 6-7, 6-2. □

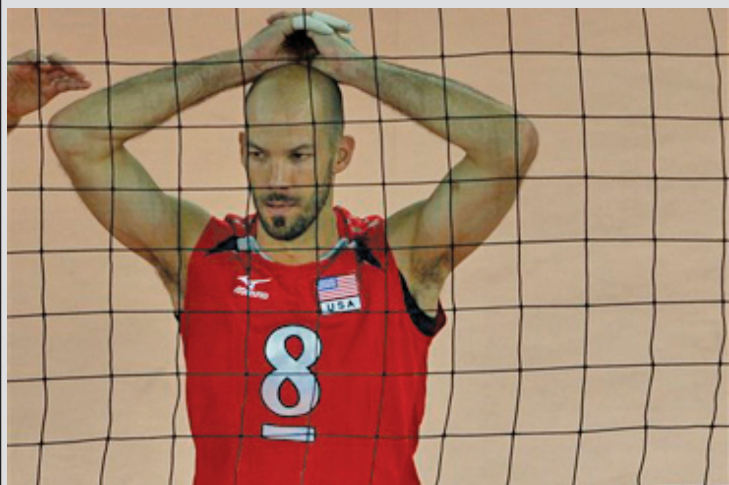
## SPORTS BRIEFS

### U.S. sends first swim team to Dubai

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colorado (AP) — Olympic champions Ryan Lochte, Natalie Coughlin, Aaron Peirsol and Rebecca Soni are among 37 swimmers the United States will send to Dubai for the short-course world championships in December.

It will be the first time a USA Swimming team has competed in Dubai. The meet runs Dec. 15-19 at a new aquatic center. Fourteen-time Olympic gold medalist Michael Phelps will not participate.

Eddie Reese of Texas will coach the men's team, while California's Teri McKeever will coach the women. □



United States captain William Priddy reacts after losing a point during the third round match against Italy at the Men's Volleyball World Championships in Rome, Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010. Italy won 3-1.

*Associated Press*

### Italy beats U.S. 3-1 at volleyball worlds

ROME (AP) — Host Italy rallied from a set down to beat the United States 3-1 at the men's volleyball world championships Tuesday.

If Italy posts another win Wednesday against France it will advance to the semifinals and eliminate the Olympic champion Americans. If France beats Italy, then each team would be 1-1 in the third round and the tiebreaker will go down to the points ratio. In other matches, Cuba beat Spain 3-1 and will next face Bulgaria for a semifinals spot.

Also, Serbia defeated Russia 3-1 to qualify for the semifinals, eliminating Russia; and Germany shut out the Czech Republic 3-0 and will now meet two-time defending world champion Brazil for a spot in the final four. □



## NFL Roundup

## Pats' special teams run wild to top Dolphins 41-14

By STEVEN WINE

AP Sports Writer

MIAMI—The New England Patriots had another big night, and this time the NFL's highest-scoring team totaled most of its points with Tom Brady and the rest of the offense cheering from the sideline.

Patrick Chung blocked two kicks and returned an interception for a touchdown, and New England scored twice on special teams to beat the hapless Miami Dolphins 41-14 on Monday night.

Brady threw for only 153 yards, and Randy Moss was held without a catch for the first time since 2006, but the Patriots still registered their biggest point total yet. They're averaging 33 points per game.

New England trailed 7-6 at halftime, but when Brandon Tate returned the second half kickoff 103 yards for a score, the deluge was on before a stunned crowd. In the fourth quarter, the stadium quickly emptied.

"Where's everyone going? 'The party' is just getting started at SunLife Stadium," the Patriots posted on their Twitter feed.

"We had a tidal wave hit us," Dolphins coach Tony Sparano said. "It was a mess. Embarrassing. These fans deserve better than this." New England (3-1) moved into a tie with the New York Jets for first place in the AFC East, while the Dolphins (2-2) dropped to third place with their second divisional loss at home in eight days.

Chung blocked a punt to set up a touchdown, then blocked a field goal that Kyle Arrington returned 35 yards for a score.

"We practiced everything that happened — all of those blocks, and people doing their job allowed



New England Patriots' Pat Chung, right, blocks an attempted field goal by Miami Dolphins' Dan Carpenter (5) during the second half of an NFL football game in Miami, Monday, Oct. 4, 2010. The holder is Brandon Fields. The Patriots won 41-14.

Associated Press

me to make a play," Chung said.

He returned an interception 51 yards for New England's final score. Another unexpected contribution came from linebacker Rob Ninkovich, who had the first two interceptions of his five-year career. Chung and Arrington scored their first career TDs, and Patriots reserve fullback Danny Woodhead scored on an 11-yard reception.

The Patriots totaled 17 points in a span of 2:16 bridging halftime to take command.

Miami's Chad Henne was 29 of 39 for 302 yards and two scores, but he was yanked with 6 1/2 minutes left after tying a career high with his third interception. Henne blamed his first turnover on a forced pass, the second on inaccuracy and the last on a miscommunication.

"Overall it's my fault," he said. "I'll take that one as a quarterback. I'll put that on my shoulders."

The pass picked off by Chung was especially ugly.

"It shocked me," he said. "I was like, 'He threw it? Thanks.'"

Tyler Thigpen finished up and threw the Dolphins' fourth interception.

The Dolphins lost even though they netted 400 yards and had 23 first downs. Ninkovich's picks set up two field goals, and New England held Ronnie Brown to 27 yards rushing. The Dolphins had a punt blocked for the second week in a row.

Tate took the second-half kickoff in the end zone, cut toward the right sideline and scored untouched, giving the Patriots their first lead. Miami went three and out, and Chung blocked Brandon Fields' punt.

"It's not the guy who blocks it, it's the other guys that hit the gaps and take the blockers and open it up for the guy that they missed," Patriots coach Bill Belichick said. "It was a nice job by the whole team. ... We've been close on a couple and haven't gotten them, so it was great to get them."

Two plays later, BenJarvus

front of him.

"I was just fortunate enough to be in the right place at the right time," Arrington said. "Special teams decided this game," said Dolphins kick returner Nolan Carroll, who also plays on the coverage team. "It's a blow to our gut."

As a result, the Patriots didn't need Moss. He was targeted only once, when he stretched for a pass in the end zone, but the ball deflected off his hands and New England settled for a field goal.

"If they're taking one guy away, everyone else has to come out and play well," Patriots receiver Wes Welker said. "It's a team effort, and that's exactly what today was."

Brady was sacked three times but finished 19 of 24 with no interceptions.

Ricky Williams turned a swing pass from Henne into a 28-yard touchdown, helped by a downfield block by Brandon Marshall. Henne also hit Davone Bess for a 19-yard score. □



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## NFL union head: Owners set for no football in 2011

By CHRIS JENKINS

AP Sports Writer

GREEN BAY, Wis. — NFL Players Association executive director

DeMaurice Smith sees new signs that owners are preparing for a football-free 2011.

With support from Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers, he asked fans to take the players' side.

Speaking at a tailgate-style fan luncheon a few blocks from Lambeau Field on Tuesday, Smith referred to a recent Sports Business Journal report that said the NFL is requiring banks that lend money to its teams to extend grace periods for loan defaults through the end of the 2011 season in the event of a lockout.

"That to me is a step where the owners are protecting themselves in the event that there is no season," Smith said.

Smith said that move, along with provisions in television deals that provide for some payments even if there is a lockout, are evidence that owners are planning for the possibility that there won't be a season in 2011.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello noted that the players are going through the process of approving the potential decertification of their union, a move that could be seen as preparing for protracted negotiations.

"There are many preparations taking place, including the union preparing to decertify and

go out of business," Aiello said. "Our focus is on negotiating a new agreement with the union. The longer it goes, the tougher it will be and we are not sure if this union plans on continuing to be a union."

Rodgers, the Packers' newly elected player representative to the union, asked the crowd of about 300 fans for their support.

"We're going to keep you guys daily on our minds and we realize how much this means, and affects not only us but this community," Rodgers said. "We thank you for your support, and stand with us. It's going to be a tough fight, but we're trusting that in the end everything's going to turn out to way it's supposed to."

In a meeting Monday, Packers players voted to become the latest NFL team to give the union approval to decertify in the event of a lockout. Decertification would give players the right to sue the NFL under antitrust laws if there is a lockout, a threat that could strengthen the players' position in CBA negotiations.

Smith said lawsuits have played an important role in past gains by the players, referencing late Packers icon Reggie White's role in the implementation of today's free agency system. "Look, the fact is most of our fans who love this game right now believe mistakenly that free agency



In this Oct. 28, 2009 file photo, NFL Players Association executive director DeMaurice Smith, right, NFL commissioner Roger Goodell sit at the witness table on Capitol Hill in Washington. In a letter obtained Thursday by The Associated Press, AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka offered to sit down with NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell and NFL Players Association executive director DeMaurice Smith to work on the parameters for a new collective bargaining agreement.

Associated Press

was a gift to the players," Smith said. "That's not true. Reggie White and Freeman McNeil put their careers on the line and had to sue for free agency."

But Smith wouldn't say whether the union or individual players currently are considering a new lawsuit, or are simply relying on the threat of legal action to force owners to make concessions in negotiations.

"The only thing that we will do is continue to protect our interest," Smith said.

Smith said players have always been willing to keep playing under an extension of the existing CBA, and reiterated complaints that owners refuse to open their

financial records. As the NFL's only publicly owned franchise, the Packers are the only team that makes it financial information public.

The Packers posted an operating profit of approximately \$9.8 million in the fiscal year that ended March 31, down from \$20.1 million the previous year. Taking into account investment losses that were less severe, the team reported net income of approximately \$5.2 million, up from \$4 million.

"Show us the financial data that says that the National Football League is in some sort of economic (hardship)," Smith said. "And so far all we've heard

back is from their lead negotiator, who said that's none of our business."

Smith took a positive tone when he spoke about his good working relationship with NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, but wasn't willing to estimate how likely it was that a new deal could come together in the near future.

"It seems to me that the greatest gift we could possibly give is a Christmas gift where we sign a new deal and tell people that football for our fans is not only going to continue, but the businesses that rely on football and the jobs that this game generates are going to be secure," Smith said. □



# Matsui's status with Angels unclear

ANAHEIM, California (AP) — As Hideki Matsui packed his personal effects into boxes in front of his locker on Monday, the thought that his first season with the Los Angeles Angels might have been his last didn't occur to him.

He is eligible to become a free agent, and where he ends up next season is anyone's guess.

"Would I say that it's completely out of the likelihood that he'll be back? I can't say that at this point. You never know. We're just going to focus on getting better any way we can as the offseason unfolds," said Los

Angeles general manager Tony Reagins, who has to pick up the pieces after the Angels finished 80-82 and missed the postseason for the first time since 2006.

"I'm happy with Matsui's performance this year. I just wish it would have been more consistent all year long," Reagins added. "We're going to evaluate his free agent status, just as we will others that will become available, and then make a decision."

Reagins and manager Mike Scioscia agree that Matsui's numbers were close to what they projected for the 36-year-old designated hitter and part-time left fielder, who batted

.274 with 21 homers and 84 RBIs in 145 games.

"Hideki was everything that we anticipated, and more," Scioscia said. "I mean, when Derek Jeter says that Hideki's the most professional player he's ever been in a clubhouse with, that's a huge statement. And we saw it firsthand. He's very dedicated to preparing himself to play."

Matsui's next hit will bring his combined total in Japan and the major leagues to 2,500. He spent seven seasons with the Yankees and was named World Series most valuable player last October, receiving his championship ring on the field at Yankee Stadium on



Los Angeles Angels' Hideki Matsui, of Japan, runs to first base after hitting an infield single in seventh inning of a baseball game against the Texas Rangers in Anaheim, Calif., Monday, Sept. 20, 2010.

Associated Press

April 13 when the Angels were there for the Yankees' home opener.

This is only the second time Matsui hasn't been to the

postseason since he came to the major leagues in 2003.

"In the past, it was rare that we didn't play beyond this time of the year, so it does feel a little bit weird that we're not playing in October," he said. "The Angels signed me with expectations to help the team win, and personally, I don't feel like I really lived up to those expectations."

The Angels were gun-shy about re-signing All-Star slugger and 2004 AL MVP Vladimir Guerrero after his injury-plagued 2009 campaign and replaced him with Matsui, who finished second to Guerrero in the All-Star fan balloting for the DH spot.

Guerrero, who signed with division-rival Texas as a free agent about five weeks before Los Angeles gave Matsui a \$6 million contract, finished with 29 homers, 115 RBIs and a .300 average to help the Rangers end the Angels' three-year reign as American League West champs. □

Associated Press

# Murton breaks Ichiro's Japanese hits record

JIM ARMSTRONG

AP Sports Writer

TOKYO (AP) — Former major leaguer Matt Murton broke Ichiro Suzuki's record for the most hits in a single season in Japanese Professional Baseball on Tuesday.

Murton achieved his 211th hit of the season with a two-run single to center in the second inning for the Hanshin Tigers against the Yakult Swallows.

Suzuki set the previous record of 210 in 1994 for the Orix BlueWave.

When Suzuki set the record, the regular season consisted of 130 games. Since then, the season has been extended by 14 games and Murton was playing in his 142nd game of the season.

"1994 and 2010 are two different seasons," Murton said. "He did it in 130 games. It is what it is, it's a great honor. In terms of Ichiro, this doesn't change anything. He's one of the best players in baseball."

A first-round selection of the Boston Red Sox in 2003, Murton was traded to the Chicago Cubs in 2005 and had brief stints with the Oakland Athletics

and Colorado Rockies before coming to Japan this season.

Murton added two more hits in the game to lift his total to 213. He finished the night 3 for 5 with three RBIs as the Tigers trounced the Swallows 17-4.

Last month, Suzuki became the first Major League Baseball player with 10 consecutive 200-hit seasons. Suzuki joined the Seattle Mariners in 2001 after winning the Pacific League batting title for seven straight seasons. □



Matt Murton of the Hanshin Tigers hits a two-run single, marking his 211st hit to break Ichiro Suzuki's Japanese baseball single-season hits record of 210, in the second inning of Tuesday's game against the Yakult Swallows at Jingu Stadium in Tokyo Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010.

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# Childress says he received a fair appeal hearing



This Oct. 17, 2009, file photo shows NASCAR team owner Richard Childress speaking at a news conference before the NASCAR Banking 500 Sprint Cup Series auto race at Lowe's Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C., Saturday, Oct. 17, 2009.

Associated Press

JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

CONCORD, North Carolina (AP) — Richard Childress emerged from a two-hour hearing Tuesday before NASCAR's chief appellate officer confident he was given a fair chance in his quest to have Clint Bowyer's championship-ending penalty overturned.

It was a marked difference from a week ago, when the team owner was incensed by a three-member appeals panel that upheld the penalty against Richard Childress Racing.

Childress believed John Middlebrook, a retired General Motors executive, moderated an evenhanded hearing between NASCAR and his race team.

"Whatever it is, I feel good about it," Childress said after the two-hour hearing. "It was a very fair opportunity for us to state our case."

Childress said Middlebrook indicated he would not issue a ruling until late Tuesday or Wednesday.

NASCAR docked Bowyer 150 points because the car he drove to victory Sept. 19 at New Hampshire failed inspection. The three-member appeals committee last week upheld the penalty, and an infuriated Childress immediately appealed to NASCAR's version of the supreme court. It was Middlebrook's first appeal since accepting the \$1 a year position in February.

Childress last week accused the appeals

panel of disregarding testimony from an accident reconstruction expert the owner hired to prove that Bowyer's car could have been damaged when a tow truck pushed it to Victory Lane. Although Dr. Charles Manning was again on site at NASCAR's research and development center, Middlebrook did not call him to testify.

Instead, Childress and Sprint Cup Series director John Darby went before Middlebrook at the same time and presented their cases. During last week's appeal, each side went individually and was not in the room to hear the testimony.

"We could ask John (Darby) questions, John could ask us questions," Childress said. "We could each one comment and hear the other's comments. That made it very fair."

Childress indicated that if the first hearing had been conducted the same way, he would not have appealed to Middlebrook.

"I think today's procedure, if done similar to the other appeal, we wouldn't be here today," he said.

Regardless of the verdict, Childress said he was ready to move on and urged NASCAR fans to put the two-week saga behind them to focus on the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship. Childress still has two cars in contention: Kevin Harvick, who is ranked third in the standings, and Jeff Burton, who is ranked ninth.

"Let's go racing," he said. □

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# Olazabal wants to captain Europe in Ryder Cup

NEWPORT, Wales (AP) — Jose Maria Olazabal wants to replace Colin Montgomerie as Europe Ryder Cup captain — provided he is healthy enough to take on the role.

The Spanish player, who took part in seven Ryder Cups before becoming vice-captain for the last two, appears to be the unanimous choice among Europe's leading players to take over from Montgomerie for the 2012 match at \ in Chicago.

Olazabal said on Tuesday there would be "only one answer — yes" if he was healthy and offered the job.

"It's been mentioned, by

the players, by Monty. We have talked about it a little bit — there is just one issue, my health. Time will tell," Olazabal told Sky Sports.

The popular Olazabal was one of Montgomerie's four vice-captains as Europe regained the trophy with a dramatic victory over the United States at Celtic Manor in Wales on Monday.

He was also an assistant to Nick Faldo at Valhalla two years ago.

But his appearances on tour have been limited in recent years as he battles rheumatoid arthritis.

"You need to be close to the

players and play with them during the qualifying process, that is why it (health) is the only question mark," said the 44-year-old Olazabal, who has only played in one event this season.

"But I have always said the Ryder Cup is special, it's a unique event, and it's been great to be part of it."

Olazabal has an impressive Ryder Cup record, winning 18 of his 31 matches for a 66 percent average, 1 percent better than Montgomerie. He has been on the winning side with Europe three times.

Montgomerie, who confirmed he would be standing down

urine and blood samples until technology can show he rode clean in this year's race.

Experts in blood doping say people who undergo intravenous blood transfusions for medical reasons or blood doping to increase performance are potentially exposed to the plasticizer di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP) found in intravenous bags. □



Europe's assistant captain Jose Maria Olazabal, center, is applauded by team members during the trophy presentation after winning the 2010 Ryder Cup golf tournament at the Celtic Manor Resort in Newport, Wales, Monday, Oct. 4, 2010.

Associated Press

## POSSIBLE DOPING

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The UCI said the clenbuterol was detected on July 21, the Tour's final rest day. The plastic residue was found in another test carried out on July 20, according to the person who spoke to the AP.

Contador has denied he underwent a blood transfusion before the grueling mountain stage on July 22.

His spokesman, Jacinto Vidarte, on Tuesday denied any plastic residues were found in the tests.

"We are not aware of any findings of this plastic substance in any of the tests," Vidarte said. "We — officially and unofficially — have no information on anything to do with this.

There were no traces of plastic in any of the tests."

Francisco Contador, the rider's brother and manager, also denied there was blood doping. "There is not even the remotest possibility of speaking of blood manipulation because Alberto has not done anything illegal, neither in the Tour or ever," he told Cadena Ser radio Tuesday. "We have absolutely nothing to hide."

The plasticizer test result was also reported last week by French sports daily L'Equipe and German television network ARD. The New York Times reported on the finding Tuesday.

Francisco Contador said the UCI "has already stated that

the July 20 doping test was negative."

UCI spokesman Enrico Carpani told the AP on Tuesday that the cycling body was continuing to work with the World Anti-Doping Agency to analyze the elements of Contador's case. He said the UCI would not comment further, citing confidentiality rules.

Contador will lose his Tour de France title if he is convicted of doping. He also risks a two-year suspension.

A detection method for self-blood transfusion has yet to be fully validated, but WADA Director General David Howman told the AP last week that "its use for anti-doping purposes is partially validated and evidence from it, among others, can be used before tribunals."

Larry Bowers, chief science officer at the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, was asked about a test for plasticizers in a conference call with reporters after an anti-doping conference this past weekend. Bowers said he wasn't sure how close a test is to being validated but added "the results that I've seen up to this point, and I would call them preliminary, were very promising."

Cycling and WADA officials also have the possibility of storing Contador's samples for years and retesting them once the detection method is validated.

Contador has challenged cycling authorities to freeze his

as captain after writing a new chapter in his illustrious Ryder Cup record, said Olazabal would be "everybody's choice" to succeed him.

"He has a lot of experience — as much as I have — and I am sure he will do as good, if not a better, job than I did," Montgomerie said. "That's it for me with the Ryder Cup, unless I try to qualify as a player."

Ireland's Pdraig Harrington agreed with his departing captain.

"I think he'd be the choice of all the players. He had a great

Ryder Cup career. He looks like he'd be a great captain but it's a tough job," Harrington said.

Darren Clarke, another of Montgomerie's assistants over the last two months, ruled himself out of the running for the 2012 captaincy, insisting he wanted to qualify for the team as a player.

"Jose Maria has been battling illness but if he can come back to proper form then all of Europe and all of this team would welcome him as captain in two years' time," Clarke said. □

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# Monty: 'The greatest moment of my golfing career.'

JIM LITKE,

AP Sports Columnist

NEWPORT, Wales (AP) — Colin Montgomerie finally has his major. Maybe not the one he had in mind at the beginning of his career. But there is no more fitting bookend.

Monty played in eight Ryder Cups, won five, went unbeaten in singles throughout, and contributed the second-most points of any European player in history. For all that, there was no question where this one ranked.

"This," he said, standing alongside the gold chalice at closing ceremonies, "is the greatest moment of my golfing career."

The dour, finicky 47-year-old Scot, like U.S. counterpart Corey Pavin, didn't hit a shot in any of the 28, often stop-and-start matches that stretched out over four days due to rain. But from start to thrilling finish, Montgomerie hit just about every note right. Weeks before the teams arrived at Celtic Manor, he walked through the place, inspecting every inch. At one point, he stopped outside what would become Europe's team room, looked at the hinges on the door and ordered them changed on the spot. Montgomerie insisted that the door swing in, rather than out, if only to make sure none of his players inadvertently got hit walking in just as another was walking out.

His attention to detail hardly ended there. Appropriately, it was the very last decision he made, slotting cool-as-they-come Northern



The U.S. team members look on as Europe team captain Colin Montgomerie lifts the trophy after winning the 2010 Ryder Cup golf tournament at the Celtic Manor Resort in Newport, Wales, Monday, Oct. 4, 2010.

*Associated Press*

Irishman Graeme McDowell in the 12th and final singles slot Monday, that paid the biggest dividend in a match decided by the slimmest of margins.

"He's everything there is in the Ryder Cup," McDowell said after delivering the winning point in Europe's 14½-13½ win. "To be able to do that for him today was really special."

Unless he's playing, the leader of any team can only do so much. That didn't keep Monty from trying to steal any advantage anywhere he could.

His stars, English players Lee Westwood, Luke Donald and Poulter, outshined the U.S. trio of Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Jim Furyk. His most controversial captain's pick, Padraig Harrington, the three-time major winner he chose over Paul Casey, proved enough of a steadying influence to squire rookie Ross Fisher to wins in both foursomes (alternate shot) and fourballs (better ball). All of his other rookies contributed at least a half-point or more, too. He talked about the difference of putting in match play until he was blue in the face,

and unlike the Americans, his players left precious few of their tries short.

Heck, the Europeans' rain gear even worked better in the downpours that turned the Twenty Ten course into a soggy bog.

"All credit to Monty for everything he's done this week," assistant captain Darren Clarke said. "The way he's gone through everything has been meticulous, but this is what you'll have to do for the future. He's been sensational."

Yet Montgomerie also knows disappointment. His best playing days are far enough behind him to know he'll never win the British Open, the major he wanted most growing up as a golfing prodigy and the son of the secretary at Royal Troon. Ditto for the Masters, U.S. Open and PGA Championship — the last two of which he'd already lost in playoffs.

Asked whether this made up for those elusive majors, Montgomerie did not hesitate.

"Oh, yes. I'd never go back at all. I only want to go forward," he said. "There's a different responsibility

being captain than there is playing. Playing is a whole different responsibility and a whole different feel.

"It was my job to try and manage these great players this week and try to make them feel as comfortable as possible and to play their best. And I always said, if they can play to their potential, we would win. And I truly believe they did, and therefore, we did."

On the eve of the matches, Montgomerie fretted that even his speech at Thursday's opening ceremony could prove decisive. Left off the 2008 European team that was beaten at Valhalla, he refused to criticize then-captain Nick Faldo, a longtime Ryder Cup playing partner whose clumsy stabs at humor that year were roundly slammed.

In his speech, much the same way he plays the game, Monty hit it straight down the middle. But after Pavin forgot to mention U.S. golfer Stewart Cink during player introductions, the competitor in Montgomerie couldn't let it slide by without a dig.

"We," he said through a sly grin, "are 1 up."

In retrospect, the Europeans

may have started this competition further ahead than that. Montgomerie partnered or played for nearly every important figure in European golf during the last two decades — among them, Faldo, Bernhard Langer, Sam Torrance and Seve Ballesteros — and gleaned something from each.

So when both captains chose motivational speakers to talk to their teams, Montgomerie turned to Ballesteros. The Spaniard joined the Ryder Cup team in 1979, when, in a bid to make the matches competitive once more, the European selection process was opened to golfers from the continent. He went on to become European golf's most inspirational figure.

Today, that legacy remains undimmed, even though Ballesteros hasn't been seen in public for nearly two years while he battles brain cancer. His last appearance in a Ryder Cup was as captain of the winning side at Valderrama in 1997. Monty arranged for his former teammate and captain to talk to the European squad via speakerphone from the fishing village along Spain's wind-swept northern coast, where Ballesteros first learned to play golf.

As champagne flowed on every side, Sergio Garcia, the slumping Spanish golfer whom Montgomerie added to the squad as an assistant captain, fought back tears. He said he hoped the win might give back some small bit of the fighting spirit Ballesteros' talk had instilled in the team.

"I hope," Garcia said, "he's proud of us."

Leave it to Montgomerie to make sure that was so. □

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# Here comes the sun: White House to go solar

By DINA CAPPIELLO,  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Solar power is coming to President Barack Obama's house.

The most famous residence in America, which has already boosted its green credentials by planting a garden, plans to install solar panels atop the White House's living quarters. The solar panels are to be installed by spring 2011, and will heat water for the first family and supply some electricity.

Energy Secretary Steven Chu announced the plans Tuesday in Washington at a conference of local, state, academic and nonprofit leaders aimed at identifying how the federal government can improve its environmental performance.

Former Presidents Jimmy Carter and George W. Bush both tapped the sun during their days in the White House. Carter in the late 1970s spent \$30,000 on a solar water-heating system for West Wing offices. Bush's solar systems powered a maintenance building and some of the mansion, and heated water for the pool.

Obama, who has championed renewable energy, has been under increasing pressure by the solar industry and environmental activists to lead by example by installing solar at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, something White House officials said has been under consideration since he first took office.

The decision perhaps has more import now after legislation to reduce global warming pollution died in the Senate, despite the White House's support. Obama has vowed to try again on a smaller scale.

Last month, global

warming activists with 350.org carried one of Carter's solar panels — which were removed in 1986 — from Unity College in Maine to Washington to urge Obama to put solar panels on his roof. It was part of a global campaign to persuade world leaders to install solar on their homes. After a meeting with White House officials, they left Washington without a commitment.

Bill McKibben, the founder of the 350.org group, said Tuesday the administration did the right thing.

"If it has anything like the effect of the White House garden, it could be a trigger for a wave of solar installations across the country and around the world," McKibben said in a statement.

What was unclear Tuesday was how much the White House solar project will cost, and how much fossil fuel-based electricity it would displace, since the system is not yet designed and the White House will not disclose how much energy is needed to keep the president's lights turned on. Based on available roof space, administration officials expect the

photovoltaic system will include between 25 to 75 panels and will convert sunlight into 19,700 kilowatt hours of electricity a year. That would save a typical household \$2,300 on its electricity bill, based on commercial rates in Washington. The solar hot water heating system, based on government estimates, could save an additional \$1,000 a year.

But the White House is far from a typical house, noted Danny Kennedy, the founder of California-based solar energy provider Sungevity, which offered to put solar panels on the White House for free earlier this year as part of a campaign called SolarontheWhiteHouse.

Kennedy estimates that outfitting Obama's pad with solar would cost about \$100,000 if paid out of pocket. But the money would be earned back with savings on the electric bill in the first five years, he said in an interview from the Maldives, where he is installing 48 solar panels on President Mohammed Nasheed's private residence. Kennedy said his calculations were based on a 5,000 square-foot



**FILE -** This file photo released by Solar Design Associates shows the solar thermal system produced by the Harvard, Mass., company, installed on the roof of the White House pool cabana in Washington during the second Bush administration, a solar thermal system helps heat the both the White House pool and spa and is still in use. The Obama White House will announce Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010, that the most famous residence in America plans to install solar panels for the first time atop the White House's living quarters. The solar panels — which will be installed by spring 2011 — will heat water and supply some of the first family's electricity.

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California home, which Kennedy said. "We had to uses 60,000 kilowatt hours make a few assumptions of electricity annually. about what electricity "They use a lot more cost was in the White electricity than that," House." □

## Apple challenges \$625.5M patent-infringement award

By JESSICA MINTZ,  
AP Technology Writer

SEATTLE — Apple Inc. is challenging a federal jury's order that it pay \$625.5 million in damages for violating a small technology company's patents. If upheld, the verdict would be one of the largest in a patent lawsuit.

Last Friday, the jury in Tyler, Texas, found that Apple infringed on three patents held by Mirror Worlds LLC, a company founded by Yale University computer science professor David Gelernter to commercialize his ideas.

The patents cover characteristic features on Apple's Macintosh computers, iPods and iPhones. The technologies include Cover Flow, which lets users flip through album covers and other content as if through

a stack of cards; Time Machine, which performs automatic backups; and Spotlight, which is software for searching computer hard drives.

Over the weekend, Apple asked the U.S. District Court to hold off on imposing the jury award, saying there were still issues that needed to be addressed. Among other things, Apple objects to the way the damages were calculated.

Apple has not commented further on the case. Lawyers for Mirror Worlds did not return requests for comment. In 1991, before access to the World Wide Web was mainstream, Gelernter published a book called "Mirror Worlds: or the Day Software Puts the Universe in a Shoebox...How it Will Happen and What it Will Mean." The volume laid out a vision of the

future in which people can access and interpret unprecedented volumes of real-time, real-world data using a computer.

A decade later, Gelernter's Mirror Worlds Technologies Inc. launched its first and only product, Scopeware, which could organize all sorts of information on a timeline or "lifestream." It looked like a cascade of index cards on the screen, each representing a unique piece of e-mail, a Web page, spreadsheet or other document, updated constantly as new items arrive. From descriptions at the time, Scopeware had a similar look to and functionality as Apple's Cover Flow, which is built into the company's Mac OS X operating system and the software that runs on iPods and other devices. □



# As 'Peanuts' turn 60, Schulz family plans future



## Ozzy covers John Lennon for 70th milestone



**British rocker Ozzy Osbourne performs in Tel Aviv, Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2010. Ozzy Osbourne says alcohol, not politics, has stopped him from playing in Israel until now.**

*(AP Photo/Dan Balilty)*

NEW YORK — John Lennon would have been 70 this week, and who better to honor his legacy in song than ... Ozzy Osbourne?

Yes, Ozzy Osbourne. The Black Sabbath heavy-metal king has made a cover of Lennon's "How," available Tuesday on iTunes to benefit Amnesty International.

Osbourne says Lennon was a "driving force for humanity." He also credits the Beatles as the inspiration for his musical career.

A video for the song is debuting on AOL's PopEater.com.

The former Beatle would have been 70 on Saturday. He was shot to death in December 1980. □

WASHINGTON — Good grief, Charlie Brown. The world has certainly changed since the Peanuts were born.

In 60 years, the U.S. sent a man to the moon, survived the Cold War and now has one of the worst economic funks in decades. All that time, Charles Schulz's imaginary gang has been a fixture of newspaper funny pages and grainy holiday TV specials. Now, his family is working to keep Snoopy, Lucy and the rest alive for generations to come. A handful of new projects is in the works. The first new animated film in five years is set for release next spring called "Happiness is a Warm Blanket, Charlie Brown." ABC just signed on for five more years of airing Charlie Brown holiday specials. A new social media game began on Facebook and Twitter last month to "Countdown to the Great Pumpkin," and the comic strip has made its way to a popular gaming website

for millions of children.

The enduring appeal is no surprise, said Lee Mendelson, who produced the Peanuts films with Schulz for more than 40 years.

Schulz had said "there's always going to be a market for innocence in this country," Mendelson said Friday as a photograph of Schulz at his drawing board was hung at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery in recognition of his impact on the nation. Schulz died in 2000.

"The innocence and the humor that he brought, I think, helped us as a nation through many bad times," Mendelson said.

Peanuts comics, which first appeared in 1950 in the St. Paul Pioneer Press, still appear in 2,200 newspapers in 75 different countries. Newspaper publisher E.W. Scripps Co. sold the licensing unit that controls "Peanuts" and other comics in April to Iconix Brand Group Inc. a licensing company partially owned by the Schulz family for \$175 million.

Jeannie Schulz, the cartoonist's widow, said she often hears from people at the Charles M. Schulz Museum in Santa Rosa, Calif., about how well the characters reflect their own feelings. That may be a key to the Peanuts' longevity, she said.

"Reading Peanuts got people through really tough times in their childhoods," she said.

## Prosecutor says Smith was surrounded by enablers

By **LINDA DEUTSCH**,  
AP Special Correspondent

LOS ANGELES — Anna Nicole Smith was surrounded by a circle of enablers — including her boyfriend and two doctors — who supplied her with drugs for years despite her obvious addiction, a prosecutor told jurors Tuesday.

Deputy District Attorney Renee Rose continued the prosecution's closing argument in the drug conspiracy trial of Smith's lawyer-boyfriend Howard K. Stern and two physicians.

Stern took no action to help Smith withdraw from opiates and sedatives, while Drs. Sandeep Kapoor and Khristine Eroshevich continued to prescribe painkillers for the former Playboy model despite signs she was addicted, the prosecutor said.

The three defendants have pleaded not guilty to conspiring to provide excessive prescription drugs to an addict and other charges. They are not charged in her 2007 accidental overdose death.

In closing arguments Monday, another prosecutor said Smith pressured the trio into providing her with narcotics.

"I think it's mirroring their feelings that life is tough, knowing somebody else is in the same boat as they and yet having hope."

A new book out later this month called "The Peanuts Collection" will trace the comic strip's history and how it evolved over time.

Jeannie Schulz said the genius came from her husband's commonsense, Midwest upbringing as the son of a barber in Minnesota who learned to tell stories in his own way. Schulz taught Sunday school and was proud to be a dad. He had an introverted take on the world, and yet was observant of everything around him, she said.

"Until people change. Until they take a pill to become perfect people and all have perfectly balanced personalities ... I think he's given them a touchstone," she said. "He's given them something to let them know that they're all right."

Fantagraphics Books Inc. is producing a series of volumes each with two years worth of Peanuts comics to let fans read the strip every day. On Oct. 14, the Peanuts cast also will launch a new "Great Pumpkin Island" on Poptropica, a popular game website for millions of tweens who may be less familiar with Charlie Brown and his friends. And the Peanuts gang has come to life online with Flash-animated

comics.

Next year's film will feature new animations created by a team involving Charles Schulz's son, Craig, and "Pearls Before Swine" cartoonist Stephan Pastis. Even with the more modern trappings, though, the animations have maintained their simplistic roots. Jeannie Schulz has said in the past that computer-generated "Peanuts" characters just wouldn't quite look right. Before establishing a permanent place in Washington with the portrait unveiled last week, Schulz brought his characters to the Smithsonian in 1985 for a visit for a TV series called "This is America, Charlie Brown." Lucy marveled at seeing a comic strip with their names on a museum wall, and Charlie Brown found his name and Snoopy's on the Apollo 10 capsules at the space museum.

Schulz was a history buff and considered himself an Eisenhower Republican, but he mostly stayed away from politics in his cartoons. He included timely issues, though, such as the environment, race, bullying and other themes. But if he visited Washington today, Mendelson said, Schulz would be taken aback by the bitter political tone.

"I think he would be appalled," Mendelson said, "and I think he would have poked fun at it in the comic strip." □



Smith experienced physical and emotional pain after the birth of her daughter, Daniellynn, and the death of her son, Daniel, who collapsed and died in her Bahamas hospital room of a drug overdose.

Witnesses have said Smith suffered from chronic pain syndrome, seizures, migraines, spinal pain and fractured ribs, among other ailments. □





Visitors watch the new Chevrolet Cruze Hatchback during a press day of the Paris Auto Show, Friday Oct.1, 2010.

(AP Photo/Michel Euler)

## AP Source: Buick brand to get luxury compact car

By TOM KRISHER,  
AP Auto Writer

DETROIT – General Motors will announce the addition of a new compact car to its Buick luxury brand Thursday as the automaker broadens its lineup of fuel efficient vehicles.

Buick will add a luxury version of the Chevrolet Cruze that will be called the Verano, according to a person briefed on the matter. The person did not want to be identified because the announcement is not official. The Cruze is a compact car that is just now reaching dealerships.

The Verano will be built at a GM factory in Orion Township, Mich., that is being retooled to make the Chevrolet Aveo subcompact next year, the person said. The Verano will go on sale at the start of 2012.

The company is expected to announce new jobs at the factory, located north of Detroit, although the person could not provide figures.

GM spokeswoman Kimberly Carpenter declined to comment.

The Orion plant, which once made midsize cars like the Pontiac G6, has been shut down for nearly two years as GM retools its inner workings so that it can churn out a revamped version of the subcompact Aveo.

That car will go on sale in the middle of next year.

Most of the plant's roughly 1,330 workers have been laid off until it reopens next year.

The Cruze, built in Lordstown, Ohio, is about the size of a Ford Focus or Honda Civic and is larger than an Aveo.

General Motors Co. is hoping the smaller Buick will help attract younger people to the brand. Until recently, Buicks were mostly characterized by bench seats and soft, cushy rides.

Buick sales so far this year are up 58 percent thanks to strong demand for the LaCrosse luxury sedan and Enclave large wagon. □

## Gain in services sector lifts stocks; Dow up 180

By SETH SUTEL,  
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK – Stocks rose Tuesday following news that activity expanded in the U.S. services sector last month.

World markets also rose after the central bank of Japan surprised investors by slashing interest rates to near zero.

The Institute for Supply Management reported that the U.S. services industry grew slightly faster in September as demand from customers improved. It was the ninth straight month of expansion in services, which have been growing at a slower pace in the U.S. relative to the much smaller manufacturing sector.

In corporate news, Mexican broadcaster Grupo Televisa said it would invest \$1.2 billion in Univision Communications, expanding a license deal between the Spanish-language media heavyweights. Televisa's U.S. shares rose 9.8 percent.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 184.33 points, or 1.7 percent, to 10,935.60 in afternoon trading. Boeing Co., DuPont and Caterpillar Inc. had the biggest gains in the Dow, and all but one of the average's 30 components rose.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 22.68, or 2 percent, to 1,159.71. The index hadn't traded above 1,150 since mid-May, not long after stocks reached their highest levels of the year in late April.

Robert Pavlik, chief market strategist at Banyan Partners LLC in New York, cites another factor in today's upward swing: Even when stocks have fallen lately, the S&P 500 has managed to stay above 1,130, a key technical barrier that it had broken through on Sept. 20. He said that has given jittery investors confidence to buy.

"A lot folks who have cash on



FILE - In this file photograph taken July 6, 2010, a street sign is shown near the New York Stock Exchange on Wall Street, New York. Stocks rose Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010, following news that activity expanded in the U.S. services sector last month. World markets also rose after the central bank of Japan surprised investors by slashing interest rates to near zero.

(AP Photo/Frank Franklin II, file)

the sidelines are being drawn into the market because they don't want to be left behind," Pavlik says. "I think there's potential to get to 1,200 by the end of the year."

The Nasdaq composite index rose 54.42, or 2.3 percent, to \$2,398.94.

In a surprise move, Japan's central bank cut its key interest rate to virtually zero and is looking to buy government bonds in an effort to boost the faltering Japanese economy. Japan has been struggling

with a strong currency and falling prices, and authorities there intervened in currency markets last month to weaken the yen, but the impact was short-lived.

U.S. traders have their eyes set on some key economic and corporate reports this week, including earnings reports Thursday from PepsiCo Inc. and Alcoa Inc. On Friday, the Labor Department delivers its monthly jobs survey, the most important report on the economic calendar. □

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# Cancer Prevention Awareness

One of my favorite words comes from the Greek word oxus, which means "pointedly" and môros which means "foolish" that combines into the word 'oxymoron'. This is an expression in which contradictory words are used together for special effect, like "military intelligence" or "active retirement". Oxymora can be a lot of fun as long as it is a victimless crime and does not negatively affect anyone.

Many times I see an oxymoron being used in medicine with an explanation that it is a necessary evil. Mammogram the procedure of taking an X-ray of all or part of the breast is like that supposedly a "necessary evil". Professionally I have problems with a medical procedure that squeezes your breast as flat as possible then bombard the breast with X-rays to take a picture. Ouch! If you do have a problem, severe compression of the breast like what occurs during a mammogram leads to microscopic rupture of tissue - including tumor tissue, which spreads the cancer and can lead to earlier death.

Secondly, through your severely compressed breast they send X-rays a form of electromagnetic radiation. Because X-rays have high energy, they can pass through the body leaving an impression of what is inside your breast on photographic plates. Just like other forms of high-energy

radiation, X-rays can cause damage to cells in the body, which in turn can increase the risk of developing cancer. This increase in risk associated with each X-ray procedure is supposedly low but does slowly increase with the increasing number of X-rays tests you have with your yearly mammogram. This is the same principle as the way in which increased exposure to the sun increases skin cancer risk.

A non invasive, alternative to mammogram screening is a thermogram. Breast thermography is a photograph of the temperature differences in your body that can reflect chronic inflammation, the foundation of all degenerative diseases, including cancer. A thermograph detects the subtle physiological changes that accompany breast problems, whether it is cancer, fibrocystic disease, an infection or a vascular disease. Detecting chronic inflammation, sometimes even before it has caused problems allows for the earliest possible treatment. Since this test is non invasive there is no contact with the body of any kind, no radiation and the procedure is painless.

A third of all cancers are related to smoking, and another third are related to obesity, poor diets and lack of exercise. Many cancers are preventable. By some lifestyle changes you can drastically reduce your chances of contracting most cancers.

Control your insulin levels to eliminate obesity. Eat according to your metabolic type. The potent anti-cancer effects of eating according to your blood type are very powerful. Make sure you are not in the two-thirds of the population who are overweight.

Controlling insulin levels is a powerful way to reduce your cancer risks. Only 25 percent of people eat enough vegetables. Ideally, you should be eating five portions of fresh, organic vegetables. However, fresh conventionally grown vegetables are healthier than no vegetables at all. If you are a Blood type A you may need more vegetables than an individual with blood type O. Dietary supplements are an important addition to a good diet. Boil, poach or steam your foods, rather than frying or charbroiling them.

Get appropriate amounts of exercise. One of the primary reasons exercise works is that it drives your insulin levels down. The best exercises are walking and swimming and here in Aruba they are free. Walking or swimming in the early morning and late afternoon provides a safer amount of sunburn ultraviolet rays. Safe amounts of sun exposure works primarily by optimizing your vitamin D levels and is a natural anti-viral remedy. Be sure to include a good source of omega oils in the right proportion, Omega 3, 6 and 9.

When choosing a supplement, it's especially important to make sure oils are the highest quality, free from heavy metals like mercury.

It is likely that depression may be more important than all the other physical issues listed here in helping prevent cancer. Energy psychology is one of the best approaches to get the juices flowing again and to pull us out of our funk. Incredibly, I end up having to prescribe going to the beach to patients who live in Aruba.

When was the last time you had enough sleep? Research shows that the immune system needs 9 1/2 hours of sleep in total darkness to recharge completely. Only by getting enough high-quality sleep do you boost your melatonin levels. The nighttime hormone melatonin puts breast cancer cells to sleep. This natural supplement traditionally used to reset your sleep cycle can slow breast cancer growth by 70%. These findings may explain why employees who often work the night shift have high rates of breast and colon cancer.

Get The Point! There are options to mammography. Safer tests that can detect chronic inflammation in your body before it can turn into cancer. Reducing inflammation in your body by controlling insulin, exercising, eating right for your metabolic type, taking natural dietary supplements and reducing toxins from your life



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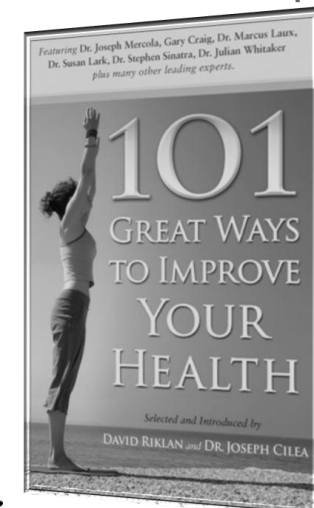
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# Catch a thief from your armchair and win cash

By Stefano Ambrogi

LONDON (Reuters) – Anyone who owns a laptop computer can now fight crime from the safety of their home and win cash prizes for catching thieves red-handed, under a new British monitoring scheme that went live this week.

The service works by employing an army of registered armchair snoopers who watch hours of CCTV footage from cameras in stores and high street venues across the country.

Viewers can win up to 1,000 pounds (\$1,600) in cash a month from Devon-based firm Internet Eyes, which distributes the streaming footage, when offenders are caught in the act.

The scheme immediately drew criticism from civil liberties campaigners who say it is more evidence that Britain has become a "Big Brother" surveillance society with CCTV on every corner.

Participants, who pay a fee to subscribe, press an "alert" button which relays an instant text message notifying a shop keeper of suspicious behavior. The SMS is followed up with a photographic image of the potential crime.

Founder of Internet Eyes, Tony Morgan, says the scheme puts shop owners back in control of security and allows local communities to tackle crime and anti-social behavior.

"The problem with CCTV is that while cameras are practically everywhere, there's hardly anyone watching them in real time," Morgan said. "Most people know this, so CCTV is no longer the deterrent it used to be, and crime is rising."

Industry body, the Center for Retail Research, says shoplifting is at record levels, costing the UK economy almost 5 billion pounds a year. Registered participants in the scheme must be over 18, are not able to choose which footage they see, nor view premises in their local area. The firm told Reuters it has 13,500 interested viewers from across the European Union and aims to have 3,000 paid-up members by the end of October.

The government's Information Commissioner's Office says the firm is being made to comply with data protection laws and has also insisted on background checks on viewers employed by the site.

But Charles Farrier of campaign group NO CCTV said the launch marked another disturbing chapter in the nation's surveillance society.

"The Information Commissioner has put private profit above personal privacy in allowing a private company to launch its Stasi-style citizen spy game rather than defending the rights of British citizens," he said.

The director of another group, Big Brother Watch said it was a worrying development akin to "pimping out" CCTV images to amateur bounty hunters and should be switched off.

"Innocent people out doing their shopping shouldn't be snooped on like this," Alex Deane told Reuters.

"Whatever one thinks of our surveillance culture, we can all agree that the technology is better off in the hands of trained, accountable professionals rather than voyeurs." □

# No joke as clown is Brazil's most voted congressman

SAO PAULO (Reuters) – Voters the world over complain about having clowns for politicians, but Brazilians embraced the idea on Sunday by sending a real one to Congress with more votes than any other candidate.

Francisco Everardo Oliveira Silva, better known by his clown name Tiririca, received more than 1.3 million votes in Sao Paulo state in Brazil's presidential and congressional elections. That was more than double the votes of the second-placed candidate in Brazil's most populous state.

Tiririca caught the attention of disillusioned voters by asking for their support with the

humorous slogan: "It can't get any worse" and a promise to do nothing more in Congress than report back to them on how politicians spend their time.

"What does a congressman do? The truth is I don't know, but vote for me and I'll tell you," the 45-year-old said in his campaign advertisements. The clown, whose stage name means "grumpy," usually appears in public wearing a blond wig, a red hat and a garish outfit. He survived a last-minute attempt by public prosecutors to bar him from running because of evidence that he is illiterate.

His candidacy may not have

been as spontaneous or innocent as it might appear.

Tiririca's well-financed campaign will help elect other politicians because under Brazil's election rules he can pass his substantial excess votes on to other candidates in his coalition, which includes the ruling Workers' Party. □



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# Nobel physics prize for ultrathin carbon discovery



Professor Andre Geim, left, and Dr Konstantin Novoselov who have been awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics are seen outside Manchester University, Manchester, England, Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2010. The scientists shared the Nobel Prize in physics on Tuesday for 'groundbreaking experiments' with the thinnest, strongest material known to mankind a carbon vital for the creation of faster computers and transparent touch screens.

(AP Photo/Jon Super).

By **KARL RITTER**  
**LOUISE NORDSTROM,**  
Associated Press Writers  
STOCKHOLM — Two Russian-born scientists shared the Nobel Prize in physics on Tuesday for groundbreaking experiments with the strongest and thinnest material known to mankind — a potential building block for faster computers and lighter airplanes and satellites. University of Manchester professors Andre Geim and Konstantin Novoselov used Scotch tape to isolate graphene, a form of carbon only one atom thick but more than 100 times stronger than steel, and showed it has exceptional properties, the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences said. Experiments with graphene could lead to the development

of new superstrong and lightweight materials with which to make satellites, aircraft and cars, the academy said in announcing the 10 million kronor (\$1.5 million) award.

The unique properties of the transparent material could also spur the development of innovative electronics, including transparent touch screens, more efficient computers and solar cells, although no commercial products have been created yet.

"It has all the potential to change your life in the same way that plastics did," Geim told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "It is really exciting."

Geim, 51, is a Dutch national while Novoselov, 36, holds

both British and Russian citizenship. Both were born in Russia and started their careers in physics there. They first worked together in the Netherlands before moving to Britain, where they reported isolating graphene in 2004.

Novoselov is the youngest winner since 1973 of a prize that normally goes to scientists with decades of experience. The youngest Nobel laureate to date is Lawrence Bragg, who was 25 when he shared the physics award with his father William Bragg in 1915. [Related: Bizarre error helped create the Nobel Prize]

"It's a shock," Novoselov told the AP. "I started my day chatting over Skype over new developments — it was quite unexpected."

Geim said he didn't expect to win the prize this year either and had forgotten that it was Nobel time when the prize committee called him from Stockholm.

The two scientists used simple Scotch tape as a crucial tool in their experiments, peeling off thin flakes of graphene from a piece of graphite, the stuff of pencil leads.

"It's a humble technique. But the hard work came later," Geim told the AP.

Paolo Radaelli, a physics professor at the University of Oxford, marveled at the simple methods the winners used.

"In this age of complexity, with machines like the super collider, they managed to get

the Nobel using Scotch tape," Radaelli said.

Geim last year won the prestigious Korber European Science Award for the discovery, the University of Manchester said. He also won the "Ig nobel" prize in 2000 for making a frog levitate in a magnetic field. That award is handed out by the Annals of Improbable Research magazine for silly sounding scientific discoveries that often have surprisingly practical applications.

Phillip F. Schewe, spokesman for the American Institute of Physics in College Park, Maryland, said the Nobel to Geim and Novoselov was well-deserved.

"Graphene is the thinnest material in the world, it's one of the strongest, maybe the strongest material in the world. It's an excellent conductor. Electrons move through it very quickly, which is something you want to make circuits out of," Schewe said.

He said graphene may be a good material for making integrated circuits, small chips with millions of transistors that are the backbone of all modern telecommunications. It also has potential uses in construction material, Schewe said, but added it would take a while "before this sort of technology moves into mainstream application."

Lars Samuelson, a physics professor at the University of Lund, Sweden, said graphene developments are under way

in several areas, especially for making TV screens.

"It is incredibly transparent, it lets through 98 percent of light, so it would be ideal to have on large TV screens," he said.

Highlighting the playfulness of the two scientists, the Nobel citation said they created a "super sticky tape" seven years ago, inspired by a gecko's ability to stick to even the smoothest surface.

Laurence Eaves, a physics professor at the University of Nottingham in Britain, said the duo showed how science should be done.

"These were just a couple of guys driven by their curiosity, doing what they thought was interesting, and invented this amazing material," he said.

The 2010 Nobel Prize announcements started Monday with the medicine award going to British researcher Robert Edwards, 85, for work that led to the first test tube baby. That achievement helped bring 4 million infants into the world so far and raised challenging new questions about human reproduction.

The chemistry prize will be announced Wednesday, followed by literature on Thursday, the peace prize on Friday and economics on Monday Oct. 11.

The prestigious awards were created by Swedish industrialist Alfred Nobel and first given out in 1901. The prizes are always handed out on Dec. 10, the anniversary of Nobel's death in 1896. □

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# Ventaja de izquierda se acorta elección Perú

LIMA (Reuters) - La ventaja de una izquierdista frente a una conservadora para la alcaldía de la capital de Perú se acortó el martes, según datos oficiales, lo que vuelve incierto el resultado de unas elecciones que trazarian un nuevo mapa político en el país a seis meses de las presidenciales.

Susana Villarán, quien afirma representa a una izquierda moderada y ha generado inquietud en los inversores, lideraba la contienda con el 38,46 por ciento de los votos en la mayor plaza electoral del país, según la oficina electoral, con el 73,14 por ciento de los sufragios escrutados.

A corta distancia se encontraba Lourdes Flores, considerada amiga



Imagen de archivo de Susana Villarán. REUTERS/Enrique Castro-Mendivil/ARCHIVO

del libre mercado en uno de los países de mayor expansión en el mundo, con un 37,65 por ciento, dijo el ente electoral. La diferencia entre ambas es de apenas

27.500 votos.

Si bien analistas dijeron el lunes que el resultado final debería mantener la tendencia previa, las dos candidatas han ido acortando

distancias con el paso de las horas.

“Alrededor de eso va a ser (el resultado), pero esto quiere decir que podría existir

también la posibilidad de que gane Lourdes Flores por muy muy poco margen. Como ocurrió con Lourdes Flores y Alan García en su momento”, dijo Fernando Tuesta, analista y ex jefe de la oficina electoral.

En las presidenciales del 2006, Flores aventajaba al actual mandatario García durante los primeros conteos oficiales.

Pero tras la verificación de los sufragios observados, la abogada de 50 años cayó al tercer lugar y perdió la oportunidad de definir en un balotaje la dirección del país sudamericano.

En la elección por la alcaldía limeña han sido observado poco más del 20 por ciento del total de las actas, o cerca de 1,2 millón sufragios, según cálculos de Reuters tomando datos de la oficina electoral ONPE. □

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